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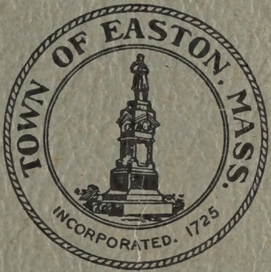

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1948

Moderator

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

LEWIS R. MASON
DENIS C. BROPHY
ALBERT E. WOOD

Assessors of Taxes

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN	Term expires 1951
KENNETH C. HAYWARD	Term expires 1949
MARY E. WADE	Term expires 1950

Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector

STANLEY F. RICE

Assistant Town Clerk

WINIFRED CUNNINGHAM

School Committee

ARTHUR F. ANDERSON	Term expires 1949
DAVID AMES	Term expires 1951
DONALD W. BELLOWS	Term expires 1951
ALICE K. BRIGGS	Term expires 1950
CLYDE A. CRAIG, JR.	Term expires 1950

Superintendent of Schools

GILBERT C. MANN

Board of Health

JACOB BRENNER	Term expires 1950
CLYDE A. CRAIG	Term expires 1951
CORA M. HENNIGAR	Term expires 1949

Tree Warden

ROSCOE W. MELENDY

Superintendent of Moth Work

ROSCOE W. MELENDY

Registrars of Voters

SIGFRID V. LEDIN	Term expires 1949
JOHN J. GALVIN	Term expires 1951
LUTHER E. SWIFT	Term expires 1950

Chief of Fire Department

ARTHUR W. BAILEY

Forest Warden

ARTHUR W. BAILEY

Chief of Police

HERBERT S. BERGLUND

Constable

GEORGE A. PIERSON

Dog Officer

FRANCIS F. REARDON

Superintendent of Streets

CARL W. ERICKSON

Sealer of Weights and Measures

JOHN A. GUSTAFSON

Inspector of Animals

J. CLINTON GOWARD

Inspectors of Slaughtering

GEORGE CARR
J. CLINTON GOWARD

Inspector of Milk

LEO J. FITZPATRICK

Town Accountant

JOHN I. LOWNDES

Town Attorney

RICHARD J. HATCHFIELD

Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance Bureau

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent

Finance Committee

JOHN S. AMES, JR.
LAWRENCE H. BIGNEY
MERVIN I. BOWDEN
JOSEPH CONNOLLY
EDGAR A. CRAIG
NORMAN O. DURFEE
HERMAN HALVARSON
JOHN B. HOWARD
FRANK D. LEARY
NEUBERT B. MORSE
FRANK H. SARGENT, JR.
LEO R. SCHLEICHER
RICHARD L. SPROUL
CLARKE L. WILCOX
MYRON F. WILLIAMS

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1948

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Easton in the County of Bristol, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium in said Easton on Monday, the first day of March, next, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Assountant, Tree Warden and any committee of the Town and take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one of their members to the position of investigator and to determine his compensation to be paid from grant of Federal Aid.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day and Armistice Day to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial Year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use from surplus revenue to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Finance Committee to appoint one of its own members to the position of Clerk of said board, as provided by Section 4a of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, said salary to be paid from Finance Committee appropriation for expenses.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salary of the Tax Collector and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salary of the Town Treasurer and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to close the Town Offices on Saturdays as provided in Chapter 265 of the Acts of 1947 of the General Court.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes, such sums as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the Town. Said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County for the purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at private sale, on such conditions as they may deem expedient, the converted road roller no longer in use by the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to purchase one truck for the Highway Department, a certain truck of said department to be applied toward the purchase price of same, and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to purchase for the Police Department two (2) two-way complete Frequency Modulation Type mobile units, and raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 therefor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to purchase two (2) new Police cars, the cars now in use to be turned in as part of the purchase price, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not in excess of $3,000.00 for the purchase of the following motor vehicles for the Tree and Moth Departments: a 1½ ton truck with platform body and a ¾ ton pick-up truck; two trucks now in use to be sold or turned in and the proceeds to be used as part of the purchase price.

ARTICLE 17. To see what action the voters will take in regard to erecting a fence on the North side of the town dump property adjacent to land of the late Oliver Ames, and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in behalf of the Town, to acquire by gift for highway purposes, such land as may be necessary for the widening of Main Street as shown on a plan on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept by deed of gift for highway purposes, a portion of land on the North side of Depot Street at or near Purchase Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept Hollis Road as a Public Way as shown by a plan on file in the

Town Clerk's Office and authorize the Selectmen in the name and on behalf of the Town to acquire the land by gift for highway purposes, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money to make necessary repairs therefor, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract with a person or persons for the collection of rubbish and for the upkeep of the Town Dump, located at the end of Baldwin Street, and to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000.00) for same, or to take any other action relative thereto. (By petition.—James H. Healey and others.)

ARTICLE 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, qualified to vote in elections, residing in Precinct One, to meet at the Furnace Village School; those residing in Precinct Two, to meet at the High School Auditorium; and those residing in Precinct Three, to meet at the South Easton School House on Monday, the 8th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes all on one ballot for one member of the Board of Assessors, for a term of three years; one member of the Board of Health, for a term of three years; and two members of the School Committee for a term of three years; Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Tree Warden, and a Finance Committee of fifteen, all for a term of one year. The Polls will be open at 10:00 o' clock A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each meeting house and post office in said Town, and one at the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting, and said Town Clerk is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Warden or Deputy Warden at the time and place of holding said meeting for the election of officers, and said Warden is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Town Clerk, together with his return of officers elected at the close of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 26th day of January in the year nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

LEWIS R. MASON
DENIS C. BROPHY
ALBERT E. WOOD

Selectmen of Easton

Bristol, ss. Easton, Mass., February 20, 1948.

By virtue hereof, and as within directed, I have this day posted attested copies of this warrant.

HERBERT S. BERGLUND,

Constable of Easton

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 1, 1948

The meeting was called to order at eight o'clock P. M., and the warrant read by the Moderator, Joseph W. Linehan.

Article 1. Voted to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant, and Tree Warden.

Article 2. Mr. Edgar A. Craig, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported the recommendations of the committee. The following appropriations were then voted for the year 1948:

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $885.00 for Assessors' Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $7900.00 for Aid to Dependent Children.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Aid to Dependent Children Administration.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for Care of Cemeteries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for Dog Officer.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1500.00 for Election Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 for Finance Committee Expense.

Motion was made to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,453.00 for the Fire Department. An amendment was offered to increase the sum by $800.00, to provide for an increase in salary of $25.00 per man for the thirty-two men of the Fire Department. The Chair ruled that the motion to increase the amount of the appropriation could be entertained, but that Fire Department salaries would be established by the Selectmen. The amendment to increase the appropriation was then adopted, and it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,253.00 for the Fire Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Forest Warden's Salary.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $7000.00 for the Health Department. (This appropriation was later reconsidered and increased under Article 22.)

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for Hire of Nurses, to be expended by the Health Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Inspection of Animals.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $150.00 for Interest on Notes.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Incidentals.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for Legal Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2300.00 for the Moth Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $63,040.00 for Old Age Assistance.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Old Age Assistance Administration.

Motion was made to raise and appropriate the sum of $12,100.00 for the Police Department. An amendment was offered by Chief Berglund that the sum be increased to $13,550.00 to provide for an increase in salaries. The Chair again ruled that the amendment to increase the amount of the appropriation could be entertained, but that the department salaries would be established by the Selectmen. The amendment to increase the amount of the appropriation was adopted, and it was then voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $13,550.00 for the Police Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $7000.00 for Public Welfare.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $33,000.00 for the Road Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for Registrars of Voters Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $225.00 for Registrars of Voters Salaries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1500.00 for Town Office Account.

Voted to appropriate the sum of $3000.00 for the Reserve Fund and the Overlay Reserve Account.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $164,474.38 for the School Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Selectmen's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 for Soldiers' Relief.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1650.00 for Tax Collector's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for Town Accountant's Salary.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $75.00 for Town Accountant's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $700.00 for Town Clerk's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $7165.00 for Town Officers' Salaries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for Town Physician.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $837.75 for Town Reports.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $900.00 for Town Treasurer's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $5000.00 for the Tree Department.

Article 3. Voted to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one member to the position of Investigator, and allow compensation of $200.00 from grant of federal funds.

Article 4. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for Memorial Day and Armistice Day, to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. George S. Shepard Post, No. 7, American Legion, and George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 5. Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time, on and after January 1, 1949, in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue a note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 6. Voted to authorize the Assessors to utilize an amount from surplus revenue to reduce the tax levy for the current year, the amount to be determined by the Assessors.

Article 7. Voted to authorize the Finance Committee to appoint one member to the position of Clerk of said board, as provided in Section 4a of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, the compensation to be $50.00 per year, and that $41.00 be allocated for the balance of the year 1948, beginning March 8th.

Article 8. Voted to increase the salary of the Tax Collector by $100.00 per year, and raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for that purpose.

Article 9. Voted to increase the salary of the Town Treasurer by $100.00 per year, and raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 to provide for that purpose.

Article 10. Voted to close the town offices on Saturdays, as provided in Chapter 265 of the Acts of 1947 of the General Court.

Article 11. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes such sums as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the town, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County for the purpose.

Article 12. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell at private sale, on such conditions as they may deem expedient, the converted road roller no longer in use by the Highway Department.

Article 13. Voted to purchase one truck for the Highway Department, a certain truck of said department to be applied toward the purchase price of same, and appropriate the sum of $3000.00 from Highway Department funds for this purpose.

Action was deferred on Article 14, and Article 15 considered.

Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 for the purchase of two two-way complete frequency modulated type mobile units for two Police Department cars.

Article 15. After discussion, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1500.00 for the purchase of one new Police Department car, one of the cars now in use to be turned in as part of the purchase price.

Article 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1800.00 for the purchase of one 1½ ton truck for the Tree and Moth Departments, and that the present 1½ ton truck be turned in as part of the purchase price.

Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 for the erection of a fence on the north side of the Town Dump property, adjacent to land of the late Oliver Ames.

Article 18. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the town, to acquire by gift for highway purposes, such land as may be necessary for the widening of Main Street, as shown on a plan on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Article 19. Voted to accept by deed of gift for highway purposes, a portion of land on the north side of Depot Street, at or near Purchase Street, as shown on a plan on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Article 20. Voted to accept a portion of Hollis Road, as a public way, as shown on a plan on file in the Town Clerk's office, and authorize the Selectmen in the name and on behalf of the town, to acquire the land by gift for highway purposes, and raise and appropriate the sum of $2500.00 to make necessary repairs.

Article 21. By a hand vote of 202 affirmative to 122 negative, it was voted to authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract with a person or persons for the collection of rubbish and for the upkeep of the Town Dump located at the end of Baldwin Street, and raise and appropriate the sum of $3000.00 for this purpose.

Article 22. Voted that a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to work in conjunction with the Board of Selectmen, to see what can be done to continue the service of the Old Colony Railroad, in order to protect the interests of the town. Announcement was made of a hearing to be held at the Quincy High School, on Tuesday evening, March 2nd, at 7:15 P. M., on this matter, and the voters were urged to attend.

After discussion, it was voted to reconsider the Health Department appropriation. It was then voted to raise and appropriate the additional sum of $1000.00 for the purchase of a resuscitator, and inhalator, and other equipment for the Health Department.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record. Attest:

STANLEY F. RICE,

Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION, 1948

In accordance with the warrant, the voters of the town met at their respective polling places on Monday, March 8, 1948.

The following named persons were duly sworn and performed the duties of election officers:

Precinct One—Clifton C. Ripley, Warden; Florence M. Hackett, Deputy Warden; Jennie M. Goss, Clerk; Ethel R. Schleicher, Deputy Clerk; Emily L. Wry, John W. H. Stokinger, Michael J. Canty, Hazel M. Harvey, Tellers.

Precinct Two—Mildred Deady, Warden; Vera S. Johnson, Deputy Warden; Anna M. Fox, Clerk; Francis J. Callahan, George A. Carter, Frances Dineen, Francis LeRoy, Marion Milligan, Gathry Hall, Stella Van Vloten, Tellers.

Precinct Three—Steven E. Southworth, Warden; Catherine E. Meade, Deputy Warden; Myrtle L. Prior, Clerk; Gladys W. Alger, Nellie Bruce, Bertha Cunningham, Victoria E. M. Hill, Isabelle S. Pratt, Gertrude W. Rollins, Tellers.

The polls were opened at ten o'clock A. M., and closed at eight o'clock P. M.

The number of ballots cast in Precinct One was two hundred fourteen; in Precinct Two, one thousand eighty-five; in Precinct Three, four hundred thirty-five; total vote, seventeen hundred thirty-four.

The result of the election was as follows:

SELECTMEN (Three)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Denis C. Brophy	159	471	304	934
George H. DeWitt	27	187	59	273
Henry W. Eliason	14	243	36	293
Lewis R. Mason	174	512	329	1015
Oscar H. Peterson	7	50	7	64
Frank J. Reynolds	33	351	63	447

Richard H. Southworth, Jr.—	36	133	146	315
Albert E. Wood	123	671	218	1012
Blanks	78	637	143	858

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE (Three)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Denis C. Brophy	160	468	306	934
George H. DeWitt	28	189	60	277
Henry M. Eliason	16	239	37	292
Lewis R. Mason	172	498	322	992
Oscar H. Peterson	7	50	10	67
Frank J. Reynolds	35	340	68	443
Richard H. Southworth, Jr.—	38	121	143	302
Albert E. Wood	117	669	216	1002
Blanks	78	681	143	902

ASSESSOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Wallace S. Gilmore	94	328	176	598
Joseph W. Linehan	111	705	231	1047
Blanks	12	52	28	92

TOWN CLERK

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Stanley F. Rice	199	902	393	1494
Blanks	18	183	42	243

TOWN TREASURER

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Stanley F. Rice	200	906	391	1497
Blanks	17	179	44	240

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Stanley F. Rice	197	901	389	1487
Blanks	20	184	46	250

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (Two)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Harland F. Almquist	16	281	27	324
David Ames	98	504	154	756
Donald W. Bellows	76	409	103	588
Helen S. Tyler	74	277	219	570
Edgar W. Watts	69	289	94	452
Warren T. Willis	38	57	146	241
Blanks	63	353	127	543

BOARD OF HEALTH (One)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Clyde A. Craig	129	838	221	1188
Ethan A. Howard	77	170	188	435
Blanks	11	77	26	114

TREE WARDEN

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Roscoe W. Melendy	187	853	380	1420
Blanks	30	232	55	317

MODERATOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Joseph W. Linehan	168	908	345	1421
Blanks and scattering	49	177	90	316

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Fifteen)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John S. Ames, Jr.	171	736	321	1228
Lawrence H. Bigney	154	579	288	1021
Mervin I. Bowden	152	593	300	1045
Joseph Connolly	142	672	275	1089
Edgar A. Craig	155	693	296	1144
Norman O. Durfee	168	629	298	1095
Herman Halvarson	145	619	288	1052
John B. Howard	162	620	314	1096
Frank D. Leary	145	636	282	1063
Neubert B. Morse	159	654	314	1127
Frank H. Sargent, Jr.	155	575	287	1017
Leo R. Schleicher	152	569	263	984

Richard L. Sproul	151	572	296	1019
Clarke L. Wilcox	149	616	293	1058
Myron F. Williams	152	644	289	1085
Blanks and scattering	943	6868	2121	9932

A true record. Attest:

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Clerk

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES, APRIL 27, 1948

In accordance with the warrant, the voters met at their respective polling places on Tuesday, April 27, 1948, at four o'clock P. M.

The number of ballots cast was as follows:

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Republican	22	31	23	76
Democratic	0	6	0	6
Total	22	37	23	82

The polls were closed at eight o'clock P. M.

A true record. Attest:

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Clerk

STATE PRIMARIES, SEPTEMBER 14, 1948

In accordance with the warrant, the voters met at their respective polling places on Tuesday, September 14, 1948, at one o'clock P. M.

The number of ballots cast was as follows:

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Republican	114	525	166	805
Democratic	8	32	2	42
Total	122	557	168	847

The polls were closed at eight o'clock P. M.

A true record. Attset:

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Clerk

STATE AND NATIONAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 2, 1948

Pursuant to the warrant, the voters of the town met at their respective polling places on Tuesday, November 2, 1948.

The polls were opened at 9 A. M. and closed at 8 P. M.

The number of ballots cast was as follows:

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Regular Ballots	422	1661	691	2774
Absent Voters' Ballots	10	43	17	70
War Ballots	0	1	0	1
Total	432	1705	708	2845

The result of the election was as follows:

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Dewey and Warren (Rep.)	321	1057	552	1930
Teichert and Emery (Soc. Lab.)	2	3	1	6
Truman and Barkley (Dem.)	99	604	145	848
Wallace and Taylor (Prog.)	3	7	5	15
Watson and Learn (Prohib.)	0	2	0	2
Blanks	7	32	5	44

GOVERNOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Robert F. Bradford (Rep.)	320	978	537	1835
Paul A. Dever (Dem.)	105	694	155	954
Horace I. Hillis (Soc. Lab.)	1	2	6	9
Mark R. Shaw (Prohib.)	0	1	0	1
Blanks	6	30	10	46

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Arthur W. Coolidge (Rep.)	330	1027	554	1911
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan (Dem.)	92	641	134	867
Lawrence Gilfedder (Soc. Lab.)	1	3	3	7
Guy S. Williams (Prohib.)	2	1	1	4
Blanks	7	33	16	56

SECRETARY

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Frederic W. Cook (Rep.)	357	1119	588	2064
Edward J. Cronin (Dem.)	61	528	91	680
Gote E. Palmquist (Soc. Lab.)	3	7	5	15
Blanks	11	51	24	86

TREASURER

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Laurence Curtis (Rep.)	342	1038	576	1956
John E. Hurley (Dem.)	76	609	107	792
Harold J. Ireland (Prohib.)	1	2	1	4
Malcolm T. Rowe (Soc. Lab.)	1	7	3	11
Blanks	12	49	21	82

AUDITOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Thomas J. Buckley (Dem.)	105	703	163	971
Russell A. Wood (Rep.)	309	936	508	1753
Robert A. Simmons (Prohib.)	1	1	4	6
Francis A. Votano (Soc. Lab.)	1	3	3	7
Blanks	16	62	30	108

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Clarence A. Barnes (Rep.)	342	1082	564	1988
Francis E. Kelly (Dem.)	77	550	117	744
Anthony Martin (Soc. Lab.)	1	9	8	18
Blanks	12	64	19	95

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Leverett Saltonstall (Rep.)	357	1114	592	2063
John I. Fitzgerald (Dem.)	63	542	94	699
Hening A. Blomen (Soc. Lab.)	0	3	3	6
E. Talmadge Root (Prohib.)	0	1	2	3
Blanks	12	45	17	74

CONGRESSMAN, FOURTEENTH DISTRICT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Joseph Wm. Martin, Jr. (Rep.)	367	1239	611	2217
Joseph M. Mendonca (Dem.)	57	407	75	539
Blanks	8	59	22	89

COUNCILLOR, FIRST DISTRICT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John S. Ames, Jr. (Rep.)	371	1300	630	2301
Joseph P. Clark, Jr., (Dem.)	51	366	62	479
Blanks	10	39	16	65

SENATOR, FIRST BRISTOL DISTRICT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Francis J. O'Neil (Dem.)	103	625	146	874
Gerald E. Riley (Rep.)	307	969	521	1797
Blanks	22	111	41	174

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT SECOND BRISTOL DISTRICT

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Albert E. Wood (Rep.)	373	1406	610	2389
Blanks	59	298	98	455
Scattering	0	1	0	1

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND SOLVENCY BRISTOL COUNTY

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
James B. Kelley (Rep.-Dem.)	339	1267	540	2146
Blanks	93	438	168	699

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, BRISTOL COUNTY (Two)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Arthur W. Bradbury (Rep.)	330	1006	552	1888
Leo H. Coughlin (Dem.)	160	789	237	1186
Charles A. Frates (Dem.)	69	418	110	597
Blanks	305	1197	517	2019

COUNTY TREASURER, BRISTOL COUNTY

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Ernest W. Kilroy (Rep.-Dem.)	323	1277	550	2150
Blanks	109	428	158	695

DISTRICT ATTORNEY, SOUTHERN DISTRICT
(To fill vacancy)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
J. Edward Lajoie (Rep.)	316	942	536	1794
Maurice M. Lyons (Dem.)	76	611	116	803
Blanks	40	152	56	248

QUESTION NO. 1 (Free speech)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	310	1099	485	1894
No	33	167	59	259
Blanks	89	439	164	692

QUESTION NO. 2

(Revenue from Highway fees, etc., for highway purposes only)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	317	1104	495	1916
No	29	163	62	254
Blanks	86	438	151	675

QUESTION NO. 3 (Filling vacancies)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	287	975	450	1712
No	23	173	49	245
Blanks	122	557	209	888

QUESTION NO. 4 (Birth Control, so-called)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	259	673	434	1366
No	127	818	200	1145
Blanks	46	214	74	334

QUESTION NO. 5 (Membership in Labor organizations, etc.)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	175	468	296	939
No	162	869	297	1328
Blanks	95	368	115	578

QUESTION NO. 6

(Officers of labor unions to be elected annually, etc.)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	207	593	341	1141
No	131	723	237	1091
Blanks	94	389	130	613

QUESTION NO. 7

(Strike to be called by majority only, etc.)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	210	620	340	1170
No	131	706	234	1071
Blanks	91	379	134	604

QUESTION NO. 8 (Term of President)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	244	845	412	1501
No	74	348	129	551
Blanks	114	512	167	793

Alcoholic Beverages

QUESTION NO. 9A. (Full license in this town)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	249	1054	446	1749
No	118	402	192	712
Blanks	65	249	70	384

QUESTION NO. 9B. (Wines and Beers)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	252	1058	445	1755
No	108	358	167	633
Blanks	72	289	96	457

QUESTION NO. 9C (Package license)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	269	1123	466	1858
No	96	327	155	578
Blanks	67	255	87	409

A true record. Attest:

STANLEY F. RICE,

Town Clerk

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1948

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
	JANUARY	
1	Linda Marie Garcia	Anthony and Bernice R. Snowdale
4	Karen Lee Flynn	William L. and Mary E. Tierney
6	Robert Marlin Loftin	Robert V. and Virginia R. White
14	James Lawrence Martin	Morrill O. and Jennyvee McBride
16	Carol Marie Sherman	Clifford A. and Betty M. Holmberg
24	Glenn Douglas Watts	Ralph I. and Ruth S. Holmberg
27	Linda Grace Bonney	Howard E. and Hazel E. Studley
28	Stillborn	
30	Linda Joyce Babbin	Bertrand and Margaret J. French
31	George Warren Marshall	George E. and Edna Levine
	FEBRUARY	
12	Stephen Merle Barkley	Merle C. and Muriel D. Meader
16	Edwin Frank Johnson	Frank W. and Barbara E. Eastwood
23	Mark Christian Bergeron	Harold F. and Martha E. O'Malley
25	Marilyn Ruth Hill	Donald M. and Dorothy E. Varney
27	John Francis McEntee	John H. and M. Louise O'Neil
	MARCH	
9	Robert Dexter Andrews	Robert D. and Etta B. MacLeod
17	Patrick Vernon Simpson	Charles V. and Delilah E. Race
18	Leon Elmer Sault	Leon E. and Cynthia L. Vosmus
25	Kathleen Rose Badger	Edward F. and Margaret M. Kempf
31	Thomas Peter Wilson Sabin	Thomas W. and Martha C. Peterson
31	Glenn Ralph Harvey	Ralph C. and Jacqueline M. Meunier
	APRIL	
1	Stanley Gunther Kavka	Joseph A. and Enid Jacobson
2	Richard Guy Carpenter	Carl R. and Ruth A. Gustavson
2	Donald Arthur Lewis	John W. and Bessie A. Rohdin
3	Christine Ismay White	Clarence J. and Grace M. Treleaven
3	Stephen Wayne Stewart	Floyd E. and Alice B. Smith
8	Genevee Eloise Noyes	Frederick P. and Shirley C. Parmenter
9	Judith Drake King	Robert D. and Sally G. Currier

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
10	Walter Joseph Varney	George W. and Jeanette C. Bergeron
11	Bonnie Louise Dufault	William P. and Myrtle A. Millet
15	Donald Lee Davis	John V. and Madeline L. Perreault
15	Andrea Marie Carr	Richard E. and Marie K. Robbins
16	John Francis Falzone	Dominic J. and Mary J. Barker
26	Richard Frederick Craig	Richard F. and Kathleen L. Arling
28	Dennis Joseph Nolan	Stephen F. and Mary E. Freitas
29	Lorraine Mildred Santos	Manuel J. and Lorraine M. Garcia
		MAY
2	Daniel Victor Hamilton	Louis R. and Mary E. Armstrong
9	Ralph Edward Azevedo	Ralph S. and Gertrude M. Sears
11	William Royce Burrill	Allan W. and Rita M. Doyle
11	Anthony James Taylor	Robert L. and Susan P. Giordano
12	Stillborn	
13	David John Gardner	George I. and Edwina F. Taylor
13	Linda Elaine Howard	Glendon and Gertrude M. Reynolds
14	Nancy Anne Hinds	Alan R. and Thelma M. Tasker
24	Russell Kempton Pittsley	Russell L. and Lena A. Costa
28	Janet Ann Avery	Urban A. and Maxine G. Becker
29	Christine Earle	Robert K. and Virginia L. Chase
31	Brenda Louise Grant	Howard L. and Angela A. Persichillo
		JUNE
8	Joyce Louise Samuelson	Robert and Beatrice Wry
10	Donna Rae Rego	Frederick C. and Winifred Willis
13	Karen Mary Rollins	William C. and Virginia A. Ford
17	Susan Marilyn Walett	Harold R. and Marilyn N. Reynolds
22	Richard Austin Cohenno	Martin and Marjorie Brigham
23	Laura Ann Nolan	John P. and Laura L. Buck
26	Joseph Daniel Faria	Joseph D. and Eudora V. Monroe
26	Arthur David McDonald	Arthur D. and Lena M. Mottor
		JULY
10	Judith Louise Magner	David F. and Virginia Poole
15	Kerry Jon Smith	John A. and Lorraine C. Sullivan
18	Richard Webster Harte	Richard, Jr., and Isabel D. Sayburn
22	Gary Frederick Olson	Frederick V. and Martha C. Ottoson
28	Irene Gonsalves	Joseph F. and Marie T. Pontes
30	Sally Ellen Foster	Warren C. and Marguerite L. Saley
31	John Francis Mara	John F. and Elsie C. Lundin

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)

AUGUST

2	Sheila Ann Vieira	John P. and Cecilia L. Santos
3	Pauline Lillian Flinkstrom	Paul E. and Lillian M. Gordon
3	George Morris Cruickshank	Edward H. and Vera V. Nordberg
9	Eilene Susan Robbins	Eliot C. and Edna F. Utton
13	Mary Jane Brophy	Francis P. and Helen T. Brady
15	Gayle Marie Lawson	Lloyd V. and Barbara M. Hall
16	Dorothy Alice Calhoun	Edward H. and Marguerite L. Monroe
16	Paul Anthony DeCouto	Arthur W. and Florence Souza
17	Terence Kevin Farrell	Richard O. and Pauline A. Nelson
18	Robert Gustaf Parsons	Robert B. and Esther S. Benson
26	Joanne Nancy Correia	Joseph M. and June I. Reynolds
27	James Everett Ladd	William and Elizabeth Ross
28	Stillborn	
30	George Richard Lanigan	John B. and Dorothy V. Anderson

SEPTEMBER

3	Richard Edward Hanscom	Richard C. and Jean H. Gallant
8	Robert Harvey Jones	Stanley B. and Alice M. Johnson
9	Suzanne Christine Wing	Ormand L. and Gertrude L. Woodworth
10	Diane Lillie Raymond	Harold E. and Edith L. Akerblom
12	Donald William Emerson	Charles D. and Dorothy M. Fowler
18	Helen Paulina Furlong	William M. and Edith V. Peterson
21	Frederick Nelson Vendt	Elmer B. and Mildred F. Karl
22	Paul Francis Burns	Francis X. and Phyllis S. Dyer
23	Carol Pauline Slocum	George W. and Betty V. Owens
27	Stillborn	
29	John Bernard Craig	Franklin E. and Helen G. Corkum
30	Diane Lee Carter	Raymond R. and Mary E. Williams

OCTOBER

1	Marilyn Joyce Shaffer	Clyde I. and Elizabeth Chisholm
2	Pamela Jean Johnson	Vincent L. and Ada V. Swanson
9	Ann Marie DelSordo	Charles and Margaret G. Smith
12	Christine Anne Coleman	Richard P. and Margaret C. Harlow
20	Katherine Lee Cotter	Joseph J. and Grace L. Schoder
24	Stephen Michael Brennick	Raymond E. and Dorothy E. Robertson
28	John Nelson Thomas	Richard J. and Lorraine A. Nelson
30	Maureen Frances Alther	Emil J. and Alizabeth T. MacDonald
30	Joseph Vieira Alves	Manuel V. and Margaret I. Correia

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
	NOVEMBER	
10	———————— Dailey	Richard A. and Mary E. Clark
14	Meredith Lee Nichols	Roger H. and Sarah S. Martin
21	Nancy Jean Frizado	Charles J. and Sadie C. Correia
22	Linda June Harvey	Charles A. and June N. Canegaly
24	Gloria Marjorie Anderson	Robert S. and Marjorie D. Eames
25	Ronald Lester Loftin	Robert V. and Virginia R. White
	DECEMBER	
7	Clayton William Bell	Frederick A. and Lillian L. Bennett
11	David Alessandri	Danunzio and Rose A. Varella
18	Thomas Sheehan	Harold J. and Dorothy V. Tuttle
21	Stillborn	
25	Susan Mary Chace	Carl A. and Virginia A. Brackett

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1948

January 4—Melbourne James Hicks of Easton and Ruth Mary Moran of Brockton.

January 14—Charles O'Connell and Joan Isabella Harlow, Johnson, both of Easton.

January 24—Edwin Hopwood Eastwood of Easton and Barbara Lucia Hassell of Mansfield.

January 25—Reino Emil Heino of Easton and Mary Josephine Carbonello of Brockton.

February 4—Kenneth Allan Ramsay of Norton and Mary Elizabeth Roche of Easton.

February 7—Joseph Gregory Baldwin of Providence, R. I., and Lilly Evelyn Johnson of Easton.

February 7—Edward Simon Johnson of Easton and Angelina Theresa Pasteris of Boston.

February 14—Alfred Gregg Morse of Easton and Rosemary Johnson Bradford of Taunton.

February 14—Kenneth Vincent Holmes and Verna Mary Johnson, both of Easton.

February 18—Richard Elwood Dudley of Harvard and Barbara Ellen Teed of Easton.

March 21—Leon Vernon Prior of Easton and Helen Mae Setterlund of Brockton.

March 27—Arnold Malcolm Swanson of Easton and Doris Mildred Hanson of Brockton.

April 4—Lawrence William Smith of Easton and Ruth Marie Erickson of Brockton.

April 10—Americo Pasignalino Asci of Brockton and Phyllis Gloria Broman of Easton.

April 17—John Dittler Bell of Norwood and Mildred M. Hentz of Boston.

April 18—Stanley Ray Miller of Brockton and Virginia Augusta Canegaly of Easton.

April 24—Carlton Lewis Turner of Bridgewater and Impi Ilona Niemi of Easton.

May 1—Joseph Francis Goveia of Easton and Dorothy Frances Brewster of Braintree.

May 1—Raymond Gilbert Mattinson of Easton and Lillian Mildred Phillips of Boston.

May 6—Hugo Lennart Lundgren of Easton and Florence Carlson of Brockton.

May 7—John Edward Brennick of Easton and Emma Agnes Lavallee of Brockton.

May 22—John Eliot Wright of Sharon and Augusta Olive Buchanan of Easton.

May 23—Alden Gotfrid Anderson, Jr., of Easton and Astrid Maria Pearson of Brockton.

May 23—Edwin Gunard Nelson of Quincy and Dorothy Louise Oman of Easton.

May 23—Perley Henry Allen and Beatrice Matteson, both of Easton.

May 23—John James Maliff of Easton and Barbara Anne Freeman of Boston.

May 24—Carl Albert Palm of Easton and Nora Murphy of Brockton.

May 28—Kenneth Edward McLeod of Easton and Geraldine Alice Welch of West Bridgewater.

May 28—George Julio Fratus of Easton and Dorothy Hope DeWolfe of Holbrook.

June 2—Richard Harold Swann of Raynham and Dorothy Mary Doyle of Easton.

June 5—Anthony Gonsalves Alho and Florence Marion Baird, both of Easton.

June 6—Salvatore Gaziano of Boston and Jean Anne Correia of Easton.

June 17—Robert William O'Neill and Rita Lorraine Gill, both of Easton.

June 18—Raymond Warren Carlson of Easton and Mildred Blanche Stephens of Ashland.

June 19—Arthur Louis Silva of Taunton and Anne Miriam Niemi of Easton.

June 19—Thomas Joseph Murphy and Lillian Beatrice McDonald, both of Brockton.

June 26—Clifford Victor Nyquist of Malden and Doris May Olive Johnson of Easton.

June 26—George Stephen Larner of Brockton and Sylvia Linnea Broman of Easton.

June 26—John Joseph Jesus of Brockton and Rose Mary Ferreira of Easton.

June 27—George Lawrence Copeland and Marilyn Edith Boulette, both of Easton.

July 3—Americo Louis Saccocia of East Bridgewater and Mildred Dorothy Ivers of Brockton.

July 4—William Joseph Sullivan of Hanson and Elsa Maria Johnson of Easton.

July 5—Frederick Aloysius Wilde of Boston and Mary Rita McSweeney of Easton.

July 10—Laurence Michael Kavanaugh and Theresa Mary Coelho, both of Easton.

July 10—James Francis Thrasher and Patricia Margelia Lunn, both of Easton.

July 15—Norman Barber Anderson of Easton and Dorothy May Adams of Brockton.

July 23—Frederick Rudolph Anderson of Easton and Phyllis Marie Swanberg of Brockton.

July 29—Frederick Herbert Sleep, Jr., of Fitchburg and Barbara Rosalie Hanlon of Easton.

July 31—Thomas Francis Kent, Jr., and Mary Louise Horton, both of Easton.

July 31—Robert Francis Sullivan of Brockton and Helen Ruth Benson of Easton.

August 15—Weikko Edward Luoma of Quincy and Miriam Bertha Peltonen of Easton.

August 21—Daniel Packard MacDonald of Brockton and Eleanor Whiting Morse of Easton.

August 29—George Arthur Moberg, Jr., of Brockton and Thelma Irene Eleanor Grahn of Easton.

September 3—Richard Wesley Lincoln of Easton and Betheo Mae Wheeler of Holbrook.

September 3—Onni Everett Peltonen of Easton and Anna Mary Maki of Quincy.

September 11—Eugene Joseph Callahan of Easton and Elizabeth Rita King of Arlington.

September 18—Charles Donald Anderson, Jr., of Easton and Mavis Lorraine Hodnett of Brockton.

October 12—William Daniel Kempf of Easton and Lilian Marie Mason of Brockton.

October 12—William Raymond Lupica of Brockton and Margaret Mary Reardon of Easton.

October 17—Richard Carlton Leonard of Middleborough and Lorena Charlotte Kidder of Easton.

October 22—Robert Emmett O'Brien of Brockton and Phyllis Virginia Bruce of Easton.

October 23—Frederick Lincoln Howard of Brockton and Marjorie Betty Hanson of Easton.

November 10—Elwynn Newton Glynn of Boston and Dorothy Hildegarde Olson of Easton.

November 10—Richard Gerald Blais of Pembroke and Mary Virginia Rodrigues of Easton.

November 14—Alton Einar Anderson of Easton and Meredith Jane Leach of Brockton.

November 20—Francis Joseph Roberge of Easton and Helen Marie Cole of Sharon.

November 25—George Harold Moreshead and Virginia Ella Lund, both of Easton.

November 27—Joseph Lawrence Kempf of Easton and Mildred J. Holbrook of Brockton.

December 4—Arthur Michael Lynch and Constance Mary Howard, both of Easton.

December 11—Allan Spencer Carr of Easton and Gertrude Irene Taylor of Boston.

December 11—Walter Daniel Baird and Beatrice Evelyn Gibbs, both of Easton.

December 18—Paul Shirley Hart and Christine Marguerite Clark, both of Mansfield.

December 20—Ralph Paul Danforth of Norton and Barbara Mae Brown of Easton.

December 24—Frank Leslie Hicks of Easton and Blanche Bessie Sears of Brockton.

December 28—Francis Antonelli and Joan Marilyn Finnerty, both of Riverside, Rhode Island.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1948

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
JANUARY					
8	Lorena Agnes Osborne	78	11	28	Adenocarcinoma of Stomach
13	Susan Slade McCarty	78	10	5	Coronary Occlusion
22	Alice Jane Goward	88	3	10	Chronic Myocarditis
26	Mary Agnes O'Connor	71	11	12	Hypostatic Pneumonia, Hypertensive Cardio-vascular Disease
28	Stillborn	0	0	0	
FEBRUARY					
1	Ellen Fitzpatrick	83	—	—	Heart Disease
15	Henry Kendall Thompson, Jr.	28	0	4	Septicemia, Ruptured Appendix
28	Patrick H. Lyons	76	5	11	Coronary Occlusion
MARCH					
1	Emma J. Morse	86	10	5	Carcinoma of Colon
2	Charles Edward Hanson	66	11	10	Coronary Thrombosis
12	James Francis Sweeney	65	2	12	Coronary Occlusion
13	George Washington Wilfert	81	4	14	Chronic Myocarditis
17	Vincent A. Collins	37	9	22	Cancer of Lung
28	John Francis Dailey	69	2	17	Lobar Pneumonia Chronic Myocarditis
28	James Winfield Watts	79	3	11	Pulmonary Embolism Angina Pectoris
APRIL					
4	Luther Thomas Evans	69	9	29	Chronic Myocarditis, Broncho-Pneumonia
4	Elizabeth B. Malloy	59	6	23	Carcinoma
21	Ida Carlotta Lundgren	76	4	15	Lobar Pneumonia
25	Mabel Fuller Wilbur	77	—	—	Cardiac Decompensation
25	Sylvia J. Noyes	1	7	3	Lobar Pneumonia
27	Clarence W. Mitchell	95	1	3	Myocarditis
27	Charlotte Boteen	81	0	15	Arteriosclerotic Cardio-vascular and Renal Disease
MAY					
5	Edward R. Wooster	66	6	23	Coronary Occlusion
12	Stillborn	0	0	0	Prematurity
15	Louis Francis Abreu	25	8	3	Tuberculosis of Lungs
17	Charles Sanford Leonard	85	—	—	Chronic Myocarditis
18	Margaret E. Reilly	75	4	15	Carcinoma of Colon

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
JUNE					
1	Mary Chandler White	86	7	13	Coronary Thrombosis
3	Arthur F. Nickerson	72	—	—	Hypertensive Cardio-vascular and renal Disease
7	Clara M. Lynch	44	8	6	Rypertensive Heart Disease
8	David Hamilton	64	7	6	Chronic Myocardosis
9	George Carr	82	4	13	Heart Disease
JULY					
9	Sven Johnson	76	4	—	Coronary Sclerosis
18	Jennie H. Nordstrom	73	1	24	Cardiac Decompensation
AUGUST					
5	Helen M. McKenna	81	—	—	Cerebral Thrombosis
10	John Edward Marvill	57	2	10	—Angina Pectoris
19	Edward T. Smith	70	11	24	Coronary Thrombosis
22	Loring Robert Starbird	70	1	13	Congestive Heart Failure
25	Edward B. Hayward	86	9	17	Carcinoma
28	Stillborn	0	0	0	
SEPTEMBER					
1	Daniel J. Lyons	70	0	0	Arterio-sclerotic Heart Disease
10	Walter E. Oliver	74	4	3	Uremia, Broncho Pneumonia
23	Willie Lahti	71	8	17	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
27	Stillborn	0	0	0	Prematurity
28	Charles A. Leach	83	—	—	Arteriosclerosis
28	August F. Holster	30	7	10	Hodgkins Disease
OCTOBER					
5	Alfred Rosen	80	4	19	Carcinoma
30	Thomas B. Downey	30	10	—	Multiple Injuries, Parachute Accident
31	Maureen Frances Alther	0	0	2½h.	Asphyxia
31	Thomas F. Reynolds	82	—	—	Terminal Pneumonia, Arterio-sclerosis
NOVEMBER					
10	Anna M. Kempf	54	—	—	Hypostatic Pneumonia, Hypertension
11	———— Dailey	0	0	3 h.	Inspiration Pneumonia
21	Mary H. Lill	62	—	—	Chronic Myocarditis
24	Horace Ellsworth Simpson	87	5	24	Adeno Carcinoma
25	Hjalmar G. Nilsson	58	1	7	Brain Tumor
DECEMBER					
3	Ethel Janette Beaman	70	11	27	Coronary Thrombosis
13	Florence Mabel Alger	58	10	28	Coronary Thrombosis
19	Blenda Theresa Heath	78	4	6	Coronary Thrombosis
24	Cora May Martin	71	—	—	Terminal Pneumonia, Arterio-sclerosis
29	Fred Livingston Reed	84	5	5	Terminal Pneumonia, Arterio-sclerosis
31	William E. Goward	81	1	20	Coronary Occlusion

LICENSES, 1948

(Paid to Town Treasurer)

Liquor (Full Liquor)

(Fee $400.00)

Cappy's, Inc.	The Four Hundred
Conlon's Diner	Union Villa

Wines & Beer

(Fee $175.00)

Cross Roads Lunch	The Four Corners
Tony & Joe's	George W. Swanson

Package Goods (All Alcoholic)

(Fee $200.00)

Frank J. Mitrano	Harry J. D. Sundell

Package Goods (Wines & Beers)

(Fee $75.00)

John Camara

Special Liquor Permits

Walfrid J. G. Broman	$1.00
Easton Rod & Gun Club (2)	2.00
Hockamock Fox Hound Club	1.00
S. F. of A. (2)	2.00
North Star Lodge	1.00
A. O. H.	1.00
Easton Fire Department	1.00
Highlanders Social Club	5.00
Hercules Powder Co.	1.00
Sons of Lebanon	25.00
V. F. W. (12)	18.00

Victuallers' Licenses

(Fee $5.00)

Cappy's, Inc.
The Four Hundred
O'Connor's News Store
Cross Roads Lunch
Wilshire's
Turnpike Lunch
Frank Gomes
Brant Rock Pharmacy, Inc.
Fred A. Leavitt
The Four Corners
James McAna
The Yankee Hostess (2)
Conlon's Diner
Howard Johnsons
Chief Hockamock
The Merrymacs
Easton Pharmacy
Union Villa
Ames, Baldwin, Wyoming Co.
Topsy's, Inc.
Veterans of Foreign Wars
Hart's Lunch
Tony & Joe's
George W. Swanson

Sunday Licenses

(Fee $5.00)

A. & W. Market (2)
David Pickett
Ray T. Farnhum
Hannah Pomeroy
William R. Kelloway
C. Robert Mitchell
Frederick & Anne Harnden
Albin E. Fuller
Charlotte Kimball
Floyd E. Peaslee
Julia M. Waugh
Edgar H. Rohdin
Joseph P. Crook
Melville B. Wagner
Albert A. McLeod

Auto Dealers' Licenses

(Fee $10.00)

Main Street Garage
Hicks Brothers
Gilmore's Garage
Winthrop C. Hanscom
Clifton W. Badeau
Easton Motor Sales
Tony's Service Station
Donahue Brothers
Avery L. Williams
James Alexio
Sherwood C. Nye

Gasoline Licenses

(Fee $1.00)

Fred Harnden
Anthony & Joseph Gaultier
Albert W. Niemi (2)
Harry J. D. Sundell

License to Store Propane Gas

(Fee $1.00)

E. F. Bolin

Gasoline Registrations

(Fee 50c)

James Alexio
Ames School of Aviation
Clifton Badeau
Frank E. Blake
Carl Dahl
Joseph M. Dardano
Charles E. & Wm. H. Donahue
Edmund C. Ford
Hazel L. Frazier
Charles Frizado
George C. Field
William P. Kelloway, Jr.
Charlotte Kimball
Ladd's Service Station
Harold L. Lockwood
Meadow Lea Cranberry Co.
Paul P. Mitrano
Roy C. Oman
Floyd E. Peaslee
David Pickett
Edgar H. Rohdin
Socony Vacuum Oil Co.
Harry J. D. Sundell
Sun Oil Co.
Fred Harnden
Albert W. Niemi
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co. (2)

Junk Licenses

(Fee $20.00)

Fred A. Hall
William Familant

Sunday Entertainment Licenses

Standley &. Wilbur	$10.00
Easton Theater, Inc. (16)	16.00

State Peddler's License

Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$22.00

Auctioneer's License

(Fee $2.00)

Leslie J. Gordon

Milk Licenses, Board of Health

56 Licenses @ 50c, $28.00

Oleomargarine Licenses, Board of Health

17 Licenses @ 50c, $8.50

Pasteurization Licenses, Board of Health

(Fee $10.00)

Charles E. Wilbur George L. Randall

License to Manufacture Ice Cream, Board of Health

(Fee $1.00)

Julius B. Grond

Non-Alcoholic Beverage License, Board of Health

(Fee $20.00)

Simpson Spring Co.

Slaughtering License, Board of Health

(Fee $25.00)

Joseph H. Wilbur

Trailer Camp License, Board of Health

(Renewal fee 50c)

Harold E. & Arthur O. Sprague

HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING LICENSES, 1948

163	Resident Citizen Fishing	@	$2.00	$326.00
108	Resident Citizen Hunting	@	2.00	216.00
104	Resident Citizen Sporting	@	3.25	338.00
49	Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing	@	1.25	61.25
2	Resident Citizen Minor Trapping	@	2.25	4.50
10	Resident Citizen Trapping	@	5.25	52.50
2	Non Resident Fishing (Special)	@	1.50	3.00
1	Non Resident Fishing	@	5.25	5.25
1	Duplicate License*	@	.50	.50
38	Resident Citizen Sporting**	@	.00	.00
478				$1,007.00

*No fees allowed

**Free to residents over 70 years of age

Fees on 439 Licenses to Town Treasurer	@	.25	109.75
Paid to Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Fisheries & Game			$897.25

The total number of licenses issued for each of the past five years was as follows:

1944	357
1945	366
1946	482
1947	453
1948	478

STANLEY F. RICE,

Town Clerk.

DOG LICENSES

Issued December 1, 1947, to December 31, 1948.

Individual Licenses	489
Kennel Licenses	15
Total	504

The above 504 licenses were as follows:

1	Kennel	@ $50.00	$50.00
2	Kennel	@ 25.00	50.00
12	Kennel	@ 10.00	120.00
313	Males	@ 2.00	626.00
43	Females	@ 5.00	215.00
133	Female Spayed	@ 2.00	266.00
504			$1,327.00
Less fees to Town Treasurer:			
504	fees	@ .20	100.80
Paid to Treasurer of Bristol County			$1,226.20

DOGS

For the benefit of the owners and keepers of dogs, the following extract of the General Laws is submitted:

General Laws, Chapter 140

Section 137—Licenses and Tags. The owner or keeper of a dog which is three months old or over shall annually, on or before March thirty-first, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from April first following, if the dog is kept in Boston in the office of the police Commissioner, or if kept in any other town in the office of the clerk thereof. The license shall be in a form prescribed by the director, upon a blank to be furnished, except in the County of Suffolk, by the county in which the town is located, and shall be subject to the conditions expressed therein that the dog which is the subject of the license shall be controlled and restrained from killing, chasing or harassing live stock or fowls. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attached a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town issuing such license and the year of issue. Such tags shall be furnished in the same manner as the license blanks, and if any such tag shall be lost the owner or keeper of such dog shall forthwith secure a substitute tag from the town clerk, at a cost of ten cents which shall be retained by the clerk, unless otherwise provided by law. Any persons may bring or cause to be brought from another state or county any dog licensed under the law thereof and keep such dogs in this commonwealth for a period not exceeding thirty days without licensing it hereunder, and during such period the foregoing provisions of this section shall not apply to such dog.

Section 138—Licenses. A person who after April first in any year becomes the owner or keeper of a dog which is not duly licensed, and the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes three months old after March thirty-first in any year, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described, licensed, collared or harnessed and tagged as required by section one hundred and thirty-seven. A person who after April first in any year becomes the owner or keeper of a dog which is duly licensed in the town where kept shall forthwith give notice in writing to the clerk of such town, or if kept in Boston to the police commissioner, that he has become such owner or keeper, and said clerk or police commissioner, as the case may be, shall change the record of such license to show the name and address of the new owner or keeper.

STANLEY F. RICE, Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

For the Year 1948

Eight meetings for registration of voters were held during the year 1948.

At the close of the final registration on October 1, 1948, the total number of registered voters was as follows:

	Men	Women	Total
Precinct 1	258	256	514
Precinct 2	974	992	1966
Precinct 3	421	422	843
Total	1653	1670	3323

This is an increase of 165 voters during the period from February 19, 1947, to October 1, 1948, as follows:

	Men	Women	Total
Precinct 1	24	29	53
Precinct 2	22	13	35
Precinct 3	35	42	77
Total increase	81	84	165

All nomination papers were certified at various meetings of the board.

SIGFRIED V. LEDIN, Chairman

STANLEY F. RICE, Clerk

JOHN J. GALVIN

LUTHER E. SWIFT

Registrars of Voters

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

To the Citizens of Easton:

We respectfully submit the following report of the financial condition of the Town of Easton as assessed on January 1, 1948.

Value of Real Estate	$4,864,535.00
Value of Personal Estate	521,610.00
Value of Real Estate assessed in December	3,600.00
Total assessed Valuation of the Town of Easton	$5,389,745.00
Number of Corporations and Persons assessed	1,771
Rate of Property Tax per thousand of valuation	$45.00
Value of Motor Vehicles assessed	$645,850.00
Number of Motor Vehicles assessed	2,483
Rate of Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	$38.07
Number of Males assessed	2,018
Rate of Poll Tax	$2.00
Number of acres of land assessed	16,169.50
Number of dwelling houses assessed	1,491
Number of horses assessed	42
Number of cows assessed	447
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed	163
Number of swine assessed	41
Number of sheep assessed	52
Number of fowl assessed	16,630
Number of all other animals assessed	129

Valuation of the Districts:

North Easton Village District	$2,432,230.00
South Easton and Eastondale District	1,379,195.00
Unionville District	548,440.00
Easton Center District	115,870.00
Amount raised and appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1948, including the Overlay	$354,405.06
Amount appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1948	3,000.00

State Parks Tax		338.06
State Audit of Municipal Accounts		387.98
School Bond and Interest		10,417.50
County Tax		11,678.08
County Hospital Tax		3,767.18
County Retirement assessment		1,720.30
Total Expenditures		$385,714.16
Estimated Receipts	$122,442.07	
Available Funds:		
Amount used by the Assessors from Excess and Deficiency Account to reduce the Tax Levy	13,000.00	
Apropriated at Town Meeting	3,000.00	
Overestimate—County Tax	766.72	
Overestimate—State Parks Tax	91.21	
Total Receipts		139,300.00
Total Amount raised by taxation on Polls and Property		$246,414.16

The Tax Rate increased from $36.00 in 1947 to $45.00 in 1948. This was due to an increase in appropriations of approximately $72,000.00. New Valuation and increased Estimated Receipts offset this to a certain degree.

There was gain of $154,940.00 in real estate valuation, also a gain of $29,930.00 in personal valuation. The net gain in valuation for the year of 1948 was $184,870.00 as compared with the previous year.

The motor vehicle valuation increased $237,370.00 during 1948.

Thirteen thousand dollars were transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account to reduce the Tax Levy.

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN
KENNETH C. HAYWARD
MARY E. WADE
Assessors of Easton

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

TAXES OF 1946

Dr.

Uncollected balance, January 1, 1948	$2,001.22	
Interest charged	107.77	
Costs charged	29.65	
Tax Taking Interest	20.02	
Tax Taking Costs	53.95	
		$2,212.61

Cr.

Collected in 1948	$1,707.05	
Interest collected	107.77	
Costs collected	29.65	
Abatements	33.22	
Tax Taking Interest	20.02	
Tax Taking Costs	53.95	
Tax Taking Account	260.95	
		$2,212.61

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Tax Takings	Total
Excise	$ .00	$19.47	$ .00	$19.47
Poll	.00	6.00	.00	6.00
Personal	117.80	7.75	.00	125.55
Real	1,456.65	.00	259.33	1,715.98
North Easton	74.76	.00	1.19	75.95
South Easton	4.10	.00	.05	4.15
Unionville	16.84	.00	.38	17.22
Easton Center	36.90	.00	.00	36.90
Total	$1,707.05	$33.22	$260.95	$2,001.22

TAXES OF 1947

Dr.

Uncollected balance, January 1, 1948	$15,996.18	
Excise Commitment in 1948	295.10	
Interest charged	261.77	
Costs charged	162.60	
Tax Taking Interest	13.79	
Tax Taking Costs	5.95	
Abatements after payment	36.76	
		$16,772.15

Cr.

Collected in 1948	$13,548.58	
Interest collected	261.77	
Costs collected	162.60	
Abatements	314.06	
Abatements refunded	36.76	
Tax Taking Account	375.67	
Tax Taking Interest	13.79	
Tax Taking Costs	5.95	
Uncollected balance, December 31, 1948	2,052.97	
		$16,772.15

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Refunded	Tax Takings	Uncollected	Total
Excise	$769.71	$288.86	$36.76	$ .00	$ .00	$1,095.33
Poll	4.00	18.00	.00	.00	.00	22.00
Personal	964.80	7.20	.00	.00	40.32	1,012.32
Real	11,139.06	.00	.00	374.04	1,919.47	13,432.57
N. Easton	271.11	.00	.00	1.26	45.60	317.97
S. Easton	96.81	.00	.00	.05	11.46	108.32
Union.	166.51	.00	.00	.32	15.19	182.02
E. Ctr.	136.58	.00	.00	.00	20.93	157.51
Total	$13,548.58	$314.06	$36.76	$375.67	$2,052.97	$16,328.04

TAXES OF 1948

Dr.

Excise Commitments	$18,820.90
Poll Commitments	4,044.00
Personal Property Commitments	24,776.02

Real Estate Commitments	230,699.40	
Special Commitment of Deceased Person	137.68	
December Commitment	184.67	
Interest charged	84.03	
Costs charged	237.85	
Abatements after payment	390.73	
		$279,375.28

Cr.

Collected in 1948	$250,283.46	
Interest collected	84.03	
Costs collected	237.85	
Abatements	3,565.39	
Tax Taking Account	764.25	
Abatements refunded	390.73	
Uncollected balance, December 31, 1948	24.049.57	
		$279,375.28

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Refunded	Tax Takings	Uncollected	Total
Excise	$16,726.28	$553.69	$228.01	$ .00	$1,540.93	$19,048.91
Poll	3,352.00	624.00	.00	.00	68.00	4,044.00
Personal—	21,872.35	11.25	.00	.00	1,588.98	23,472.58
Real	196,391.49	2,254.02	152.39	750.90	19,808.85	219,357.65
N. Easton—	7,046.05	60.98	10.08	5.35	447.69	7,570.15
S. Easton—	2,496.46	28.05	.25	.40	237.08	2,762.24
Unionville—	1,552.58	13.60	.00	7.60	181.22	1,755.00
E. Ctr.	846.25	19.80	.00	.00	176.82	1,042.87
Total—	$250,283.46	$3,565.39	$390.73	$764.25	$24,049.57	$279,053.40

STANLEY F. RICE,

Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

RECEIPTS

Balance, December 31, 1947	$79,855.39
Temporary Loans	75,000.00
Withholding Taxes	16,504.05
Bristol County Retirement	3,241.60
Received from Collector of Taxes:	
Town and District Taxes 1946	1,707.05
Town and District Taxes 1947	13,548.58
Town and District Taxes 1948	250,283.46
Interest on Taxes	453.57
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Income Tax	34,485.81
Corporation Tax	20,604.28
Meals Tax	2,366.03
Public Service	1,399.63
Public Works, Chapter 90	8,155.49
Received from County of Bristol:	
Dog Fund of 1947	911.46
Highway Department, Chapter 90	4,577.64
Oliver Ames Highway Fund, Income	21,388.73
Oliver Ames Highway Fund, 2nd Income	978.50
Oliver Ames School Fund, Income	17,559.72
Oakes Ames School Fund, Income	3,512.88
Young Scholarship Fund	76.48
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds, Income	413.61
Dog Licenses of 1948	1,224.40
Federal Grants:	
Old Age Assistance	41,498.92
Old Age Assistance Administration	2,582.66
Aid to Dependent Children	2,546.48
Aid to Dependent Children Administration	148.64
Road Machinery Fund	2,959.25

Tax Title Accounts:

Town	479.88
North Easton District	3.64
Unionville District	5.55
Interest and Costs	37.83

Departmental Receipts:

Aid to Dependent Children	3,043.55
Health	1,339.85
Highway	637.00
Incidentals	3,315.88
Old Age Assistance	38,088.71
Public Welfare	863.51
Police	524.90
Registrars	2.00
School	1,108.07
Sealer of Weights and Measures	91.71
Tree	127.30
Tax Collector	536.90
Town Clerk	1,131.20
Veterans' Benefits	52.50
	$659,374.29

EXPENDITURES

Temporary Loans	$75,000.00
Withholding Tax	16,504.05
Bristol County Retirement	3,241.60
North Easton District Taxes	7,391.92
South Easton and Eastondale District Taxes	2,597.37
Unionville District Taxes	1,735.93
Easton Center District Taxes	1,019.73
North Easton District Tax Titles	3.64
Unionville District Tax Titles	5.55

Tax Refunds:

Excise Tax 1947	36.76
Excise Tax 1948	228.01
Town Real Estate Tax	152.39

Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	949.80
State Parks and Reservations	396.17
Department of Public Health (refund of subsidy)	317.88
Paid County of Bristol:	
County Tax	13,178.26
Dog Licenses	1,226.20
Tuberculosis Hospital	4,399.20
Retirement System	1,720.30
School Bonds	9,500.00
Interest on School Bonds	917.50
Young Scholarship Fund	76.48
Interest on Notes	311.97
Departmental Payments:	
(See Accountant's Report)	434,426.43
Balance December 31, 1948	84,037.15
	$659,374.29

STANLEY F. RICE,

Town Treasurer.

TOWN OF EASTON

Financial Statement as of December 31, 1948

ASSETS

Cash in Treasury (General Fund)		$84,037.15

LIABILITIES

Outstanding School Bonds:		
Issue of 1929, 4¼%	$7,500.00	
Issue of 1938, 2 %	12,000.00	
		19,500.00
Net Surplus		$64,537.15

Uncollected Town and District Taxes

As of December 31, 1948

For the year 1947:

	Commitment	Uncollected	% Collected
Town	$203,652.91	$1,959.79	99.04
District	11,061.40	93.18	99.16

For the year 1948:

	Commitment	Uncollected	% Collected
Town	$265,542.74	$23,006.76	91.34
District	13,119.93	1,042.81	92.05

The Town of Easton has forty-five tax titles valued at $2,920.95.

STANLEY F. RICE,

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes

REPORT OF CEMETERY FUNDS HELD BY TOWN TREASURER

	Principal	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	Interest 1948	With-drawn 1948	Balance Dec. 31, 1948
S. Olive Drake Fund	$243.41	$333.17	$6.69	$5.00	$334.86
Cyrus Alger Fund	300.00	400.00	10.06	10.06	400.00
Lewis Williams Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Pine Grove Cemetery Fund—	1,480.38	1,480.38	37.23	37.23	1,480.38
Lothrop & Towne Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Daniel Belcher Fund	200.00	280.99	7.05	7.05	280.99
Almira E. Packard Fund	100.00	149.46	3.75	3.75	149.46
Daniel M. Dailey Fund	150.00	150.00	3.77	3.77	150.00
Margaret J. Fisher Fund	100.00	120.71	3.03	3.03	120.71
E. D. & E. H. Williams Fund—	150.00	150.00	3.77	3.77	150.00
Elizabeth F. Drake Fund	200.00	279.41	7.02	7.02	279.41
William Erving Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Dean, Keith Family Lot	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Robert M. Malloy Lots	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Elizabeth L. Reed Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Arthur J. McEntee Lots	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
E. L. Lewis Fund	200.00	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
T. C. McDermott Lots	1,000.00	1,193.64	30.01	5.00	1,218.65
		$5,437.76	$134.98	$108.28	$5,464.46

STANLEY F. RICE,

Treasurer of Easton

REPORT OF CEMETERY FUNDS HELD BY SELECTMEN

	Principal	Balance Dec. 31, 1947	Interest 1948	With-drawn 1948	Balance Dec. 31, 1948
Nancy B. Buck Fund	$200.00	$211.18	$5.30	$5.30	$211.18
Josiah Williams Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Howe-Keith-White Fund	200.00	210.00	5.28	5.28	210.00
Seth L. French Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Alonzo Marshall Fund	200.00	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
		$821.18	$20.63	$20.63	$821.18

LEWIS R. MASON
DENIS C. BROPHY
ALBERT E. WOOD

Selectmen of Easton

REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE SPECIAL CEMETERY FUND

Original Amount of Fund		$500.00
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, January 1, 1948	$632.25	
Interest added in 1948	15.90	
		$648.15
Transferred to Town Treasurer's Account in 1948	$15.90	
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, December 31, 1948	632.25	
		$648.15

REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE GENERAL CEMETERY FUND

Original Amount of Fund		$10,685.75
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, January 1, 1948	$10,685.75	
Interest added in 1948	268.80	
		$10,954.55
Transferred to Town Treasurer's Account in 1948	$268.80	
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, December 31, 1948	10,685.75	
		$10,954.55

LEWIS R. MASON
DENIS C. BROPHY
ALBERT E. WOOD
Selectmen of Easton

WORLD WAR MEMORIAL FUND

On deposit, December 31, 1947	$13,636.82
Interest added, 1948	343.04
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, Dec. 31, 1948	$13,979.86

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Treasurer

YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP FUND

On deposit, December 31, 1947	$3,040.36
Interest added 1948	76.48
	$3,116.84
Payments from Fund	76.48
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, December 31, 1948	$3,040.36

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Treasurer

SUMMARY OF AMES TRUST FUNDS

The following statement is supplied the Town Treasurer by the office of the Trustees, Messrs. John S. Ames and William A. Parker:

"Following is a summary of the Ames Trust Funds held for the benefit of the Town of Easton as of December 31, 1948, together with an estimate of 1949 income. The estimate for 1949 income is based on the amounts which the various companies are now paying. This estimate does not allow for any deductions which may have to be made before the net income is paid over to the Town of Easton; either does it take into consideration any extra dividends which might be paid by the various companies.

Funds for the benefit of Easton Highways

	Book Value	Approx. Mkt. Value	Inc. Paid Town 1948	Estimated Income 1949
Original Fund	$372,550.50	$428,913.17	$21,388.73	$19,000.00
Permanent Fund	23,961.29	19,361.36	978.50	950.00

Funds for the benefit of Easton Schools

	Book Value	Approx. Mkt. Value	Inc. Paid Town 1948	Estimated Income 1949
Original Fund	316,353.20	348,388.00	17,559.72	15,000.00

STANLEY F. RICE,

Town Treasurer

OAKES AMES MEMORIAL HALL ASSOCIATION

Balance on hand, January 1, 1948		$526.44
Receipts:		
Rent of Halls	$496.00	
Interest, North Easton Savings Bank	3.25	
		499.25
		$1,025.69
Expenditures:		
Coal and Oil	$274.97	
Lights	167.70	
Water	10.00	
Janitors	184.00	
Clerk	25.00	
Miscellaneous	5.00	
		666.67
Balance on hand, December 31, 1948		$359.02
On Deposit, North Easton Savings Bank		$319.67
Cash on hand		39.35
		$359.02

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE L. GURNEY,

Clerk

INSURANCE FUND ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, January 1, 1948		$16,173.98
Receipts:		
Interest on Investments	$827.00	
Interest , Peoples Savings Bank	15.00	
Interest, Randolph Savings Bank	20.00	
Interest, North Easton Savings Bank	101.78	
Sale of Scrap Metal	5.00	
		968.78
		$17,142.76
Expenditures:		
Bonds called, State of So. Wales	$50.00	
New Heating System	3,315.00	
Renovating kitchen	319.36	
Dishes, etc.	234.87	
Insurance	224.00	
Funds Invested	9,890.35	
Extra Labor	58.89	
		14,092.47
Balance on hand, December 31, 1948		$3,050.29
On Deposit, North Easton Savings Bank		$1,050.29
On Deposit, Randolph Savings Bank		1,000.00
On Deposit, Peoples Savings Bank		1,000.00
		$3,050.29

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE L. GURNEY,

Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Easton:

It is our honor and privilege to submit the following report for the year 1948.

The various Departments in the Town have functioned in a very efficient manner.

The Town Barn that houses some of the Highway equipment is in very poor condition and will have to be replaced sometime in the near future with a garage.

We feel that the time has come when something in the nature of widening Main Street from Williams Street to Mitrano's Garage should be done.

The members of the Board of Selectmen wish to express their appreciation of the cooperation given them by the various Town Officers, as well as the Citizens of the Town, which has materially aided them to carry out their obligations during the past year.

You will find the detailed reports of the several Departments separately shown on the following pages.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS R. MASON, Chairman

ALBERT E. WOOD

DENIS C. BROPHY

Selectmen of Easton

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

To the Citizens of Easton:

We continued during the year 1948 to record any discharges that were brought to this office, and we would suggest that any Veterans that have not as yet complied with this request, do so as soon as possible as it is to their own advantage to attend to this matter.

The following is a case load and financial accounting for this Department:

1.	$62.00	
Total		$62.00
Forms	2.94	
Total		2.94
		$62.94
Appropriation	$1,000.00	
Expended	62.94	
Unexpended to General Fund		$937.06

Respectfully submitted,

SOLDIERS' RELIEF DEPARTMENT

LEWIS R. MASON, Agent

ALBERT E. WOOD

DENIS C. BROPHY

REPORT OF MATERNAL AND CHILD WELFARE NURSING SERVICE

To the Selectmen of Easton:

We herewith submit the following report of the Maternal and Child Welfare Nursing Service for the residents of the Town of Easton.

Due to the continued restriction of Hospital facilities, maternity patients are still being discharged to their homes much earlier than has been the custom in the past. This means many patients are desirous of obtaining professional nursing care at home following hospital deliveries.

Four successful Well Baby Conferences were held during the past year. A total of 57 children were examined at these conferences. Dr. Clara Waldinger, pediatrician on the staff of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, continues to be the attending physician.

Our pre-school work continues to cover that gap in the young child's life between the doctor's close supervision of the infant, and the period when the child enters school.

Statistical Report

MATERNITY:	Cases	Visits
Antepartum	28	80
Postpartum	60	206
	88	286
CHILD WELFARE:		
New Born	54	160
Infant	58	222
Pre-school	172	379
	284	761

EDUCATIONAL:

Adult	10	70
Unclassified	....	113
	10	183
Totals	382	1230

Respectfully submitted,

CLARABEL A. POWELL, R.N.,
Public Health Nurse

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the Highway Department for the year 1948:

During the first three months of the year there were, as we all remember, bad snowstorms and plenty of snow removal. Heavy sanding was done on all slippery roads. The last month of the year we only had one snowstorm and some sanding was done.

We did the usual spring cleaning of all the streets in town and all corners on the outskirts, sweeping up and carting away the dirt. All gravel roads were graded and catch basins were cleaned out.

On Beaver Dam Road the culvert was extended 6 feet to widen out the road where there was a bad curve, and a new railing on both sides was put up.

Hollis Road was graveled and widened up to 40 feet, reshaped and rolled. The foundation is 40 feet wide, and the surface is 40 feet wide. The street was surfaced with 2300 gallons of tarvia.

On Picker Lane a shovel was hired to dig out the sub soil and widen the street to 18 feet. It was graveled and reshaped, rolled, and surfaced with tarvia.

North Main Street was reshaped 450 feet to the Stoughton Line and surfaced with tarvia.

The Depot St. corner was made wider thereby taking care of a dangerous stretch of road. Land necessary for the widening was given to the Town by the Easton Congregational Church.

King Avenue Corner was made wider. Land necessary for this widening was given to the town by Carl S. Johnson.

With the funds available in the Chapter 90 Maintenance Program, Massapoag Avenue 1100 gals. Bay Road, from Five Corners to Summer St. 4880 gal. Foundry St. from Five Corners West 3500 feet was done with a mixed in place tar, which took 6054 gal. Foundry St. from Poole's Crossing Easterly which took 1200 gals.

Under Chapter 90, Section 34, of the General Laws, the State and County co-operated on the construction of a section of Massapoag Avenue from 400 feet south of Mill Street, southerly 2,000 feet. The foundation is 24 feet wide, the surface is 24 feet wide, and a drainage was put in from the residence of Mr. Brady, southerly 849 feet. Guard rails were also put up and the street was surfaced with 4406 gals. of tarvia.

The retreatment of tar surfaced streets was as follows: Full length, Central St., Cross St., Howard St., South St. In part, Prospect St., Foundry St., Depot St., Lincoln St., Elm St. Repairs and retreatments used a total of 49,620 gals. of tarvia, and 62 tons of bituminous concreate. Work of this nature in 1949 will require well over 70,000 gallons.

New Equipment:—One moldboard was replaced and one snow plow, and two old plows were traded in for two new reversible warsaw snowplows. One heavy truck was bought and proved to be very satisfactory in our work.

Many signs had to be replaced and put up.

Guard rails and fences in many places were replaced with posts and planks, and all were painted.

The Department's equipment is in very good condition with the exception of one 1932 small dump truck, which has arrived at an age where it can no longer be economically operated. I urgently recommend that this one be replaced.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL W. ERICKSON,
Superintendent of Streets

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the report of the Police Department of the Town of Easton for the year ending December 31, 1948:

REPORT OF ARRESTS MADE DURING THE YEAR

Offense	Female	Male
Assault with a dangerous weapon		1
Accessory before the fact, to Assault		1
Assault and Battery	1	5
Attaching M. V. Registration plates		1
Begetting		1
Breaking and Entering and Larceny d. t.		1
Breaking and Entering and Larceny n. t.		3
Collecting Junk without a License		3
Delinquents		6
Drunk		10
Escaped from Institutions	1	8
Indecent Exposure		1
Insane	3	5
Larceny of Auto		1
Larceny by Check		1
Leaving scene of accident, Property Damage		2
Leaving scene of accident, Personal Injury		1
Motor Vehicle Violations	2	42
Malicious Destruction of Property		1
Neglect to Provide		2
Non Support		2
Operating after Suspension of License	1	
Operating so as to Endanger	1	10
Operating under the Influence		1
Operating uninsured Car		4
Operating unregistered Car		4
Operating Without a License		7
Rubbish Thrown on Public Ways	1	12
Setting Fires Without a Permit		2
Unnatural Act		1

Using a Car Without Authority		4
Violation of Alcoholic Beverage Laws		5
Violation of Parole		1
Violation of Probation	1	2
Total	11	151

ARRESTS MADE BY STATE POLICE

Offense	Female	Male
Drunk		3
Operating under Influence		2
Operating after Revocation		1
Speeding		2
Violation of Parole		1
Operating Without a License		1
Operating so as to Endanger		1
Total		11

Complaints	747
Investigations	783
Missing Persons	17
Missing Persons located	16
Summons served from Easton Police	31
Summons served from other Police Departments	43
Breaks in Buildings	22
Messages Delivered	41
Doors found unlocked	19
Bicycles Stolen	9
Bicycles Recovered	8
Licenses Suspended	55
Reports to Registry of Motor Vehicles Warning	118
Property Lost or Stolen, Total Value	$4,002.00
Property Recovered, Total Value	$7,550.00
Revolver Permits issued	42
Revolver Permits issued, Police	5
Days in District Court	73
Days in Superior Court	12
Class 1 Dealers Motor Vehicles Sales Reports	130
Individual Transfer or Sales Reports	282
Total Amount of Fines	$1,130.00
Total Amount of Jail Sentences imposed	2 Years

Total Probation periods	5 Years
Fire Calls	19

Patients removed to Hospitals in Police Ambulance:

Relief Cases (Including Accident)	33
Private	10
Total	43

TRAFFIC REPORT

Accidents reported involving personal injury	59
Accidents reported involving Property Damage	67
Fatal accidents	2
Persons fatally injured	2
Pedestrians involved in accidents	6
Bicyclists involved in accidents	2
Coasting accidents	2

In the above accidents only three involved children of school age. Two were involved in Bicycle accidents. One was involved was a pedestrian.

Both coasting accidents involved children under school age.

In two of the above accidents children were injured when they fell out of the rear door of the cars in which they were riding.

In concluding this report I shoul like to express my thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the local office of the New England Telephone Co., and all other departments and agencies in carrying out our responsibilities.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. BERGLUND,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, 1948

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I submit the following report of the activities of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1948:

Total Number of Calls	174
Summary:	
Building Fires	20
Chimney Fires	17
Brush, Grass & Dump Fires	50
Automobile & Truck Fires	11
Oil & Gasoline Flares	8
False & Unnecessary	5
Emergency	5
Aid Calls to Outside Towns	1
All Others	6

Permits Issued:

Fires in Open Air	344
Storage of Fuel & Range Oil	116
Transportation of Explosives	2

The department has had a very fortunate year. The number of calls show quite a decrease from the number of calls last year. Building fires show no increase, and our brush fires a great decrease in number. Again during our dry season, when our woods were closed by the State, we were fortunate in having no large fires. Close watch and care of small ones was again our answer.

All apparatus at both North Easton and South Easton Stations are at present in good condition. The modern type Hale Centrifugal pump which was bought for the Acme Forest Fire Truck has proven its worth, being easily detached from the truck has helped at building fires also in the outside districts where there are no hydrants to work with.

The South Easton Company now has a full Membership and we are receiving much better response to the alarms. In the North Easton Company we have two vacancies but appointments as of January 1st, 1949, will take care of this matter. During the year we received resignation of Deputy Chief John Mahoney, who found that he had to be away from the Town too much to carry on the work of a Deputy. I accepted the resignation with regret as John was a conscientious worker, and was a good leader of men. I wish him the best of luck in any other future work. I have appointed Joseph Kelley as Deputy to fill this vacancy, and feel that he can carry on as his fire work dates back to the time of former Chief Lordan. I regret also the resignation of our pal Bozo Anderson from the department. We all know that he cannot carry on fire department work after his unfortunate accident. I am very proud of the boys of the North Easton Company for what they have done for Bozo and I am sure that he will be missed among our activities. We wish him all the luck there is.

Our Fire Alarm System is in good working condition. We have renewed our system partly on Main Street towards North Main. It will be completed as soon as weather permits. Trimming must still be carried on this Summer if we wish to keep it in condition.

Our General Electric Radio Frequency Modulation has carried on in a fine manner this year. We have replaced only one tube. Again I wish to stress that this radio has proven a great asset to the efficiency of the department as I feel it has been responsible for the large decrease in brush fires.

The North Easton Fire Station shall be in need of inside repair work another year, also the building will need painting on the outside. A new ramp is needed in front of the station. The South Easton Station has only a few minor inside repairs needed.

During the year we have received our new Resuscitator, an E. & J. being purchased, after trying out several of them, under the supervision of Doctor Brenner, chairman of the Board of Health. From the Lions Club we have received as a gift to the Fire Department and Town of Easton a most beautiful aluminum boat for rescue work. I am sure that we all appreciate this gift, and I extend sincere thanks from the Fire

Department and the citizens of the Town. Fire Prevention Week was carried on in the same manner with fire drills and inspection in all schools of the Town. I wish again to extend my thanks to the school authorities for their hearty cooperation.

At Christmas our North Easton Fire Station was most beautifully decorated for the occasion and we have received many compliments on the success of the work. I personally extend my thanks to William Yaskonis, a member of the Company for his time and efforts.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, and all other town departments and their members for their kind assistance given to me and this department during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. BAILEY, Chief

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Selectmen of Easton:

I herewith submit this consolidated report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures of the Town of Easton for the year ending December 31, 1948:

	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Platform Scales:				
10,000 lbs or over	1	4		
Counter Scales:				
100-500 lbs.	14	35	1	1
Over 100 lbs.		2		
Beam Scales:				
Under 100 lbs.		16	2	
Over 100 lbs.		1		
Spring Scales:				
Over 100 lbs.		3		
Under 100 lbs.	7	22		
Computing scales under 100 lbs.		19		
Personal Weighing scales	1	3		
Prescription scales		2		
Avoirdupois weights	23	148		
Apothecary weights		10		
Metric weights		17		
Liquid Measures over 1 gallon		2		
Liquid Measures 1 gallon or less		17		
Gasoline Pumps		49		
Kerosene Pumps		6		
Oil Trucks	6	8		
Grease Measuring Devices		11		
Yard Sticks		2		

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. GUSTAFSON,
Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I submit my report as Dog Officer for the Town of Easton for the year ending December 31, 1948.

During the year a total of 33 dogs were picked up, held for six days as the law requires, and then disposed of.

There were 9 cases of damages, done by dogs, during the year, which were attended to by me.

I was obliged to restrain 6 dogs, for thirty days, because of damages to human beings.

I investigated a total of 63 complaints during the year.

There were also 14 dogs returned to their owners.

I wish, at this time, to thank the Town Clerk, the Police Department and the Board of Selectmen for the assistance they have given me this past year in carrying out the duties of Dog Officer for the year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS J. REARDON,

Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1948.

During the year the inspection of 542 cattle, 29 steers, and 54 calves was made, and the condition and cleanliness of the premises where they were kept.

There were 504 dairy cattle shipped into the Town of Easton from out of state.

These cattle were inspected and released.

Ear tag numbers were taken and sent to the State Department to be checked.

Six dogs were quarantined for dog bites. None showed symptoms of rabies.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CLINTON GOWARD,

Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the work of the Moth Department for the year 1948.

Moth conditions in the wooded areas show an improvement, and in only two or three sections of the district areas are there many egg clusters showing. No defoliation or partial defoliation was noted.

The D. D. T. spray used was a partial failure this year, showing results only for a short period after spraying. Until we are sure of better results from the use of D. D. T., and the blower type sprayer proves better adapted to the work, I advise no change in methods, except a return to the use of arsenate of lead, perhaps in conjunction with D. D. T., and a continued creosoting of egg clusters in the open areas, where it can be done at less expense than spraying.

The Japanese Beetle is becoming a menace in most sections of the town, and unless taken care of, will prove an even worse pest than the Gypsy Moth. Property owners who are not familiar with methods of treatment should get in touch with the Moth Superintendent or someone who has had experience in control of the beetle.

The appropriation requested for 1949 is the same amount as last year, $2,300.00. This sum is the amount the State can require to be expended.

For a detailed account of expenses, see Town Accountant's report.

Respectfully submitted,

ROSCOE MELENDY,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

To the Citizens of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the work of the Tree Department for the year 1948.

The year 1948 has been very disappointing as regards tree work. The spray season was very wet, and conditions unsuitable for spraying. Added to this, D. D. T. as a spray material did not control the Elm Leaf Beetle, and was only partially effective for other insects.

After good results from spraying with D. D. T. last year, it was expected that such results would continue, but we have found that several insects have become immune to it, and that it will be necessary to again use creosote of lead or some arsenate combination. This also changes the plan for a blower type sprayer, or airplane spraying, and no recommendation is made this year along either line.

The Elm Leaf Beetle is quite widely scattered throughout the town, and will require very thorough spraying in 1949 to regain control.

The Dutch Elm Disease has not been found in Easton as yet, but a continued spread in all sections of the state, with over two thousands trees already removed, leads us to expect to find Easton among the towns listed as infected. No new methods of control have been found, and spraying and removal of dead wood and destroying it, is still advised.

The very dry season had its effects on the trees, and many are in a weakened condition. Thirty trees were removed this year for various causes.

Fortunately there were no bad wind or ice storms. There still remain twenty dead trees to be removed, and in 1949 several more should be removed. Not all the streets were covered for removal of dead and traffic limbs.

Some experimental spraying for killing poison ivy was done during the summer, and so many calls for ivy spraying were received, that I include an estimate of $800.00 in the budget for ivy spraying in 1949.

A 1½ ton International truck was purchased for use of the Tree and Moth Departments. The ½ ton pickup truck was repaired and may go through another year. Now that so many trees are being removed, a winch for the International truck is very much needed, and $700.00 is included in the budget for this purpose.

A few calls have been received for the planting of trees, but until more come in, I do not feel justified under present conditions in asking for an appropriation. No trees were planted in 1948.

The amount requested for use of the department in 1949, including estimated $800.00 for ivy spraying and $700.00 for winch for the truck, is $7,500.00.

For a detailed account of expenses, see the Town Accountant's report.

Respectfully submitted,

ROSCOE MELENDY,

Tree Warden

JURY LIST, 1948-1949

Name Street	Occupation
Anderson, Frank A., Hayward	Carpenter
Anderson, Harold, Jenny Lind St.	Gardener
Anderson, Wendell, Depot St.	Salesman
Andrews, Robert D., Randall	Poultryman
Azevedo, James S., Central	Truckman
Badeau, Clifton W., Turnpike	Mechanic
Borgeson, Stanley F. V., Seaver	Mechanic
Boulette, William J., Turnpike	Mechanic
Buckley, Joseph, Main	Gardener
Buckman, Frank W., Washington	Mechanic
Butts, Lyle M., Columbus	Contractor
Callahan, Eugene J., Center	Musician
Carlson, Roland W., Turnpike	Salesman
Carroll, Leo V., Howard	Farmer
Chillingworth, John W., Washington	Caretaker
Correia, Joseph M., Depot	Salesman
Craig, Donald F., North Main	Chef
Cushman, Robert A., Highland	Machinist
Dahlborg, Joseph N., Jenny Lind St.	Shoe Worker
Dailey, Cornelius P., Sheridan	Water Commissioner
Dardano, Joseph M., Turnpike	Gas Station Operator
Day, Robert E., 24 Linden	Mechanic
Doherty, James M., Seaver	Rubber Worker
Durfee, Norman O., Poquanticut Ave.	Retired
Ericson, Everett W., Center	Merchant
Erving, Russell M., Foundry	Bus Operator
Farnham, Ray T., Bay Road	Store Keeper
Freitas, John J., Columbus Ave.	Bus Operator
Galvin, Joseph A., Williams St.	Salesman
Getchell, Ira E., Turnpike	Mech. Engineer
Gifford, Merton E., Washington	Mechanic
Gordon, Leslie J., Foundry	Carpenter
Goward, Josiah C., Oakland Ave.	Meat Cutter
Gustafson, John A., Sheridan	Contractor
Hanson, George W., Main	Farmer
Healey, George E., Main	Mechanic
Healey, James H., Seaver	Mail Carrier

Hollertz, Arthur V., Pleasant	Shoe Worker
Holmes, Ralph E., Central	Draftsman
Jermolovitch, Alfred E., Lincoln	Shovel Worker
Leary, Frank D., Depot	Engineer
Lanigan, John B., Pleasant	Chemical Worker
Linehan, Mark E., Lincoln	Investigator
Long, Thomas P., Main	Clerical
Lordan, William F., Pond	Painter
Mc Ana, James, N. Main St.	Mechanic
Mager, Walter F., Washington	Merchant
Miller, Andrew, Center	Office Worker
Noyes, Paul E., Center	Machinist
O'Leary, James B., Sheridan	Shoe Worker
O'Neil, Jeremiah, Lincoln	Rubber Worker
Parker, Frank A., Turnpike	Inspector
Peach, Harry E., Bay	Machinist
Phillips, Austin C., South	Expressman
Phillips, Ivan G., Walnut	Machinist
Philbrick, Ralph E., High	Mechanic
Pollard, Russell A., Depot	Office Work
Poole, Howard L., Foundry	Contractor
Sault, Leon E., Hollis Road	Salesman
Sproul, Richard L., Depot	Salesman
Swanson, Martin L., Depot	Mechanic
Trealeven, Pelham J., Seaver	Mechanic
Walett, Harold R., Washington	Mechanic
Webber, Raymond W., Bay St.	Agriculturist
Webster, Walter, 70 Center	Salesman
Willis, Ellery C., Rockland	Farmer

LEWIS R. MASON,

ALBERT E. WOOD,

DENIS C. BROPHY,

Selectmen of Easton

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The year 1948 was a good year from the standpoint of health. The number of diseases dangerous to the public health reported was less than usual, as follows: Chicken Pox, forty-two; Measles, four; German Measles, four; Mumps, seven; Whooping Cough, two; Scarlet Fever, three; Diphtheria, one; Lobar Pneumonia, six; Pulmonary Tuberculosis, two; Glandular Tuberculosis, one; Undulant Fever, one; Dog Bite, nineteen; total, ninety-two.

There were five deaths from reportable diseases; four of these were from Lobar Pneumonia and one from Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

The total number of deaths of Easton residents was fifty-nine, a death rate of 10.3 per thousand, based on a population of 5273, the state census figures of the year 1945.

The number of births reported att his writing was one hundred seven. The complete returns for the month of December have not yet been received. Seven of the births were in Easton, the rest in hospitals out of town. There were four stillbirths for the year.

The Diphtheria Immunization Clinic was held, and children of school and pre-school age given inoculations and Shick testing. One case of Diphtheria was reported in 1948; this was the first case in Easton for many years, and occurred at the trailer camp in South Easton.

Collection of rubbish was undertaken for the first time in 1948, and many persons stated that never before had they received so much satisfaction for their tax money.

A special appropriation was voted at the March meeting for the erection of a fence at the town dump. The fence has been erected, and entrance to the dump will be permitted only on Saturdays and on the days of rubbish collection. At other times the gate to the dump will be locked. The gate will be open from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. on the days specified.

Provision was also made at the Town Meeting for the purchase of a resuscitator. After tests of different models, an E. & J. resuscitator was purchased, and the Fire Department members drilled in its use. Shortly after the purchase of the apparatus, the life of an infant was saved by the use of resuscitator. The apparatus is mounted on a truck at the North Easton Fire Station, and is ready in case of emergency.

Reports of milk analysis received from the Milk Inspector show that the milk produced and sold in Easton is clean and of excellent quality.

On July 9th, George Carr, who had served capably as Inspector of Slaughtering for many years, passed away. The work is being continued by J. Clinton Goward, who has had previous experience as Inspector.

Licenses issued by the board in effect in 1948 were as follows: Milk licenses and permits, one hundred forty-seven; Oleomargarine licenses, seventeen; Pasteurization licenses, two; Slaughtering license, one; Non-alcoholic Beverage Manufacturing license, one; Ice cream manufacturing license, one; Trailer Camp license, one; Manicure and Massage licenses, eight; Garbage Collectors' licenses, five. There were forty-six burial permits issued.

We append the reports of the Milk Inspector, the Inspector of Slaughtering, and the report on the Diphtheria Immunization Clinic.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB BRENNER,

CLYDE A. CRAIG,

CORA M. HENNIGAR,

Board of Health

REPORT OF DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Dec. 31, 1948

To the Board of Health of Easton:

At the Diphtheria Immunization Clinic held in 1948, one hundred and five children received Shick tests. Seventy-seven were negative and twenty-eight positive.

Diphtheria Toxoid treatments were given to one hundred and forty-eight children. Of these, one hundred and sixteen received three treatments, twenty-three received two treatments, and nine received one treatment.

Booster doses were given to four hundred and sixty-five children.

Yours truly,

JACOB BRENNER, M.D.

REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

Dec. 31, 1948

Dr. Jacobs Brener, Chairman,
Board of Health of Easton

Dear Sir:

The following is the report of the Inspector of Milk for the year 1948, this being the twenty-sixth in a series of annual reports by me.

During the year, ninety-six samples of milk were collected from local and out of town dealers who sell milk in Easton. These samples were tested for the percentage of butterfat, solids not fat, total solids, sediment, and plated for bacterial counts.

The farms on which this milk was produced were also inspected, and the herd, barn, milkroom and utensils checked.

Licenses issued to stores for the sale of oleomargarine numbered seventeen (17), milk licenses issued for vehicles numbered seventeen (17), and store licenses for the sale of milk and cream numbered thirty-eight (38).

The producers and dealers selling milk in Easton have furnished a superior product. Low bacterial counts reflect their interest and attention to details of cleanliness and sanitation. They have shown increased efficiency in cooling and sterilization, and have improved their product as a result. Many own their farms and give personal attention to the necessary detail—which is much harder to accomplish where outside help must be hired. For the most part, bacterial counts have been low, and a better than average quality maintained.

I greatly appreciate the excellent co-operation and the hard work which Easton producers and dealers have put in to produce a quality product.

Respectfully yours,

LEO J. FITZPATRICK,
Milk Inspector

REPORT OF SLAUGHTERING INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health of the Town of Easton:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1948.

During the year I have inspected and passed one hundred fourteen carcasses of beef, eighty-four calves, twenty-two lambs and eleven hogs.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CLINTON GOWARD,
Inspector of Slaughtering

January 10, 1949

REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of Easton:

The following is a detailed report of the temporary aid granted during the year:

GENERAL RELIEF

Total Cases for year 1948	19
Cases closed during year	5
Cases open end of year	14

WELFARE COSTS

		Cases	Amount
Cases residing in Easton		10	$1,771.81
Cases residing in other cities and towns		9	2,892.56
Total Relief Granted		19	$4,664.37
Agent's Salary	$900.00		
Telephone and Tolls	40.78		
Street Listing	5.00		
Servicing Typewriter	13.20		
Burials	282.00		
Office Supplies	5.68		
Stamped Envelopes	16.78		
Other	13.40		
Total Administration Expense			1,276.84
Total			$5,941.21

SUMMARY

Appropriation and Transfer	$8,000.00
Expended	5,941.21
Unexpended Balance	$2,058.79

WELFARE RECEIPTS

Cities and Towns	$191.00
State	671.61
Total	$863.51

SUMMARY

Appropriation	$8,000.00
Welfare Total Costs	5,941.21
Unexpended Balance	$2,058.79
Receipts	863.51
Unexpended Balance and Receipts to General Fund	$2,922.30

Purchases as follows have been made from merchants at the choice of the recipients:

William T. Knapp & Sons	$181.23	
McCarthy Coal Co.	65.40	
First National Stores, Inc.	855.00	
Brant Rock Pharmacy	1.60	
Model Shoe Store	26.00	
Easton Pharmacy	2.50	
Charlotte A. Kimball	54.00	
South Easton Public Market	69.04	
Enterprise Stores	20.95	
John O. Dean Co., Inc.	29.99	
		$1,305.71

Respectfully submitted,

DENIS C. BROPHY, Chairman

ALBERT E. WOOD

LEWIS R. MASON

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent.

REPORT OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

To the Citizens of Easton:

There was also a budgetary increase, authorized by the State, in this department which took place on October 1, 1948, and this together with the addition of several new cases, totaling seven children, has increased the Aid to Dependent Children expenditures greatly.

	Cases	Children
January 1, 1948	9	20
Added during year	3	7
Total	12	27
Closed during year	0	0
	12	27

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN EXPENDITURES

Cases	Children	
12	27	$9,856.40

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN RECEIPTS

Federal Grant Balance, January 1, 1948	$817.17
Federal Grants received during 1948	2,546.48
State Grants received during 1948	2,898.32
Total Receipts	$6,261.97

SUMMARY

Appropriation for 1948	$7,900.00
Federal Balance, January 1, 1948	817.17
Federal Grants for 1948	2,546.48
State Grants for 1948	2,898.32
	$14,161.97

Paid to Recipients		9,856.40
		$4,305.57
Unexpended Town Appropriation	....	
State Grants	$2,898.32	
Transferred to General Fund		2,898.32
Federal Balance, on hand, Dec. 31, 1948		$1,407.25

Respectfully submitted,

DENIS C. BROPHY, Chairman
ALBERT E. WOOD
LEWIS R. MASON

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

To the Citizens of Easton:

Due to an increase in the tax rate and also because of a budgetary cost of living adjustment, authorized by the State, which took effect on October 1, 1948, your Old Age Assistance expenditures naturally mounted higher.

As stated previously allowing Old Age Assistance Recipients to have the doctor of their choice has added greatly to the cost of this department. Previously to this law going into effect, the Town Physician took care of all forms of relief, requiring medical attention, including Old Age Assistance, for the yearly sum of $800.00.

We are submitting a statement to show how your money was spent.

Applications received during 1948	22
Old Age Assistance granted	22
Applications denied	0

Old Age Assistance cases active January 1, 1948	149
Old Age Assistance cases added during year	22
Old Age Assistance cases, Easton settled, residing in other Cities and Towns	18
Total Old Age Assistance cases for 1948	189
Total Old Age Assistance cases closed during year	18
Total Old Age Assistance cases open end of year	171

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE EXPENDITURES

Direct payments to Recipients	$94,772.47
Indirect Payments: Burials, etc.	558.74

Paid Other Cities and Towns	1,444.00
Agent's Salary	1,450.00
Total Cost	$98,225.21

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECEIPTS

Federal Grant Balance on hand Jan. 1,1948	$16,448.73
Federal Grant received during 1948	41,498.92
State Grant received during 1948	37,107.84
Other Cities and Towns	980.87
Meal Tax	2,366.03
Total Receipts	$98,402.39

SUMMARY

Appropriation for 1948		$63,040.00
Federal Grant Balance Jan. 1, 1948		16,448.73
Federal Grant received during 1948		41,498.92
State Grant received during 1948		37,107.84
Other Cities and Towns		980.87
Meal Tax		2,366.03
		$161,442.39
Total Costs		98,225.21
		$63,217.18
Unexpended Town Appropriation	$3.25	
Cities and Towns	980.87	
State Grants	37,107.84	
Meal Tax	2,366.03	
Transferred to General Fund		40,457.99
Federal Grant Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1948		$22,759.19

Following is a list of Physicians who attended O.A.A. Recipients, number of visits and cost of same, also number of persons attended:

	Visits	Cost	Patients
Dr. Brenne	82	$318.00	16
Dr. Del Colliano	90	357.00	18

Drs. Jacoubs and Musante	277	1,104.00	18
Dr. Porter	74	291.00	6
Podiatrists	13	40.75	6
Others	46	150.00	10
	582	$2,260.75	66
Town Physician		800.00	
		$3,060.75	

Respectfully submitted,

DENIS C. BROPHY, Chairman
ALBERT E. WOOD
LEWIS R. MASON

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent.

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I have examined the books of the Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector, and the various trust funds, and find all these to be correct.

The expenditures, appropriations, receipts and accounts receivable are shown on the following pages.

JOHN I. LOWNDES,
Town Accountant

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$7,365.00
Selectmen	$1,300.00	
Board of Public Welfare	1,600.00	
Board of Health	600.00	
Assessors	1,400.00	
Town Clerk	800.00	
Tax Collector	1,060.00	
Town Treasurer	580.00	
Moderator	25.00	
		7,365.00
Unexpended Balance		.00

TOWN OFFICE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$1,500.00
Rent	$960.00	
Light	95.55	
Supplies	93.76	
Janitor Service	300.00	
Insurance	6.49	
		1,455.80
Unexpended Balance		$44.20

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$300.00
Books	44.00	
Stationery, Printing, Postage	21.08	
Transportation, meals, etc.	150.00	
Telephone	33.31	
All other	41.00	
		289.39
Unexpended Balance		$10.61

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S SALARY

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$800.00
John I. Lowndes	800.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$75.00
Printing, Stationery, and Postage	$53.06	
All other	20.09	
		73.15
Unexpended Balance		$1.85

TOWN TREASURER'S EXPENSE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$900.00
Assistant	$450.00	
Surety Bonds	148.00	
Printing, Stationery and postage	63.86	
All other	238.14	
		900.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$1,650.00	
From Reserve Fund	100.00	
		$1,750.00

Assistant	$850.00	
Surety Bonds	255.50	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	419.47	
All other	218.40	
		1,743.37
Unexpended Balance		$6.63

ASSESSORS' EXPENSE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$885.00
Clerk	$500.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	221.85	
Carefares, auto hire, etc.	65.00	
All other	96.62	
		883.47
Unexpended Balance		$1.53

LEGAL SERVICES

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$800.00
Richard J. Hatchfield		800.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$700.00
Assistant	$550.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	50.49	
Surety Bond	7.00	
All other	79.80	
		687.29
Unexpended Balance		$12.71

ELECTION EXPENSE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$1,500.00
Election Officers	$1,162.01	
Police at Polls	58.00	

Janitors	54.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	163.00	
Supplies and all other	38.08	
		1,475.09
Unexpended Balance		$24.91

REGISTRATION EXPENSE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$600.00
Labor and Transportation	$308.86	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	242.08	
All other	16.47	
		567.41
Unexpended Balance		$32.59

REGISTRARS' SALARIES

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$225.00
John J. Galvin	$75.00	
Sigfrid V. Ledin	75.00	
Luther E. Swift	75.00	
		225.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$13,550.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	400.00	
		$13,950.00
Herbert S. Berglund, Keeper of Lockup	$100.00	
Herbert S. Berglund, Chief	3,382.50	
George A. Pierson	2,912.50	
Joel A. Johnson	2,662.50	
Carl A. Palm	2,662.50	
Gas and Oil	610.30	
Auto Repairs	679.00	
Telephone	224.76	

Equipment and repairs	1.05	
Fuel and Light	289.29	
Buildings and Grounds	87.83	
Insurance	97.98	
All other	237.47	
		13,947.68
Unexpended Balance		$2.32

POLICE CAR

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$1,500.00
Mitrano Chevrolet Co.	1,5000.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

POLICE CAR RADIO

Balance, January 1, 1948	$273.50	
Appropriation, March 1, 1948	1,000.00	
		$1,273.50
Paid Maxim Motor Company		1,269.50
Unexpended Balance		$4.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$12,253.00
Arthur W. Bailey, Chief	$775.00	
Harland F. Almquist	46.50	
Harold A. Anderson	157.50	
Harold E. Anderson	167.63	
Forrest Bailey	155.13	
Daniel J. Barrett	156.75	
Henry J. Baxter	170.25	
Raymond M. Buck	305.88	
Joseph M. Correia	165.38	
Robert E. Day	184.76	
George C. Field	201.13	
William F. Flynn	376.00	
William M. Furlong	191.88	
Louis Gomes	42.75	
G. Frank Heal	162.75	

George Healey	158.25	
C. Dwight Hill	237.38	
Lester M. Hobbs	99.00	
Alfred Hermolovich	168.75	
Joseph H. Kelly	209.17	
William F. Lordan	161.25	
Edward J. Lyons	155.25	
John R. Maquire	159.38	
John W. Mahoney	137.37	
Richard T. Maliff	189.63	
Robert Mitchell	190.38	
Frank J. Mitrano	176.50	
Fred E. Olin	158.63	
Manuel J. Santos	149.88	
Milton E. Spencer	6.00	
George W. Stone	310.07	
Alvin C. Straight	242.63	
Albin A. Swanson	166.13	
Arthur H. Tufts	161.63	
Ralph F. Tufts	160.50	
Vernon E. Willis	162.38	
Orren Woodworth	12.00	
William A. Yaskonis	172.88	
Fire Alarm Maintenance	86.66	
Allowance for car	198.00	
Supplies	594.93	
Hose	897.21	
Gasoline and Oil	292.26	
Repairs	763.31	
Fuel	952.44	
Light	299.38	
Repairs	193.96	
Stationery, Printing and Postage	65.26	
Telephone	245.56	
Insurance	200.08	
All other	68.78	
		11,862.16
Unexpended Balance		$390.84

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$300.00
John A. Gustafson	$260.44	

Insurance	15.85	
Equipment	17.51	
All other	6.20	
		300.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

DOG OFFICER

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$200.00
Francis J. Reardon		200.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

MOTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$2,300.00
Roscoe W. Melendy	$540.80	
Richard J. Lincoln	382.80	
Francis L. Lordan	382.80	
Alton Alger	4.40	
Clarence Alger	4.40	
Joseph L. Kempf	44.00	
Gas and Oil	10.00	
Equipment	107.24	
Insecticides	492.86	
All other including insurance	322.99	
		2,292.29
Unexpended Balance		$7.71

TREE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$5,000.00
Roscoe W. Melendy	$1,544.40	
Richard W. Lincoln	1,239.70	
Francis L. Lordan	1,235.30	
Alfred Gomes	13.20	
Joseph L. Kempf	13.20	
Gas and Oil	174.54	
Equipment	518.87	
All other, including insurance	258.54	
		4,997.75
Unexpended Balance		$2.25

TREE DEPARTMENT TRUCK

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$1,800.00
Paid McCarthy Equipment Company	1,650.00
Unexpended Balance	$150.00

SALARY OF FOREST WARDEN

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$300.00
Arthur W. Bailey	300.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

INSPECTION OF ANIMALS

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$300.00
J. Clinton Goward	300.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

LAND FOR TOWN DUMP

Balance, January 1, 1948	$400.00
Expenditures	.00
Balance, January 1, 1949	$400.00

RUBBISH COLLECTION

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$3,000.00
Paid Carlino Bros.	1,912.50
Unexpended Balance	$1,087.50

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$8,000.00
Services of Clerk	$250.00	
Administration Expenses	83.03	
Tuberculosis Board and treatment	1,643.75	
Birth and Death returns	12.25	
Quarantine and Contagious diseases	289.21	
Collector of Garbage	2,149.98	
Services of Dental Hygenist in schools	450.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering	291.22	

Inspector of Milk	175.00	
Supplies for Milk Inspector	21.17	
All other, inhalator and Resuscitator	1,032.50	
		6,398.11
Unexpended Balance		$1,601.89

FENCE AT TOWN DUMP

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$1,000.00
Paid Nilsson Stewart Fence Construction Co.	1,000.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$33,000.00
Balance, Jan. 1, 1948, Ames Highway Fund		198.57
Income, 1948 Ames Highway Fund		22,367.23
		55,565.80
Transfers: Chapter 90		4,700.00
Available funds		$50,865.80
Carl W. Erickson	$2,792.00	
Francis P. Brophy	1,694.25	
Thomas C. Brophy	1,571.92	
Roy J. Daniels, Jr.	1,674.75	
Robert L. Drake, Jr.	1,700.25	
John W. Lewis	1,617.75	
William H. Litchfield	1,437.00	
William F. Lordan	1,674.50	
Winslow P. MacDonald	1,677.75	
Albert S. Smith	1,594.00	
Chester E. Styren	1,789.75	
Vernon E. Willis	1,654.50	
Steven Southworth	67.00	
John Madeiros	20.00	
S. Laurie MacDonald	75.75	
Administration Expenses	86.72	
Gas and Oil	1,731.07	
Stone, Gravel, Sand, etc.	250.13	
Maintenance and repairs	3,777.42	

Insurance	1,508.28	
Machine Equipment	903.78	
Cement, Lumber, Culverts, etc.	453.85	
Tarvia	5,200.08	
Fuel Oil, Kerosene	470.95	
Road Equipment	281.78	
Roadside Brush	404.30	
Survey and Plans	47.50	
Snow and Ice Removal—Gas and Oil	510.75	
Snow and Ice Removal—Equipment and Repairs	1,840.79	
Snow and Ice Removal—Horses and Trucks	3,412.50	
Snow and Ice Removal—Salt, Sand, all other	595.00	
Equipment Hire	4,541.80	
Lighting—Barn and Garage	72.72	
Lighting—Traffic	291.98	
Street Painting	34.80	
All other including Rent, Water, etc.	3,148.04	
		50,605.41
Balance Ames Highway Fund Income, carried forward to January 1, 1949		$260.39

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Transferred from Highway Funds		$1,000.00
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts		999.80
Received from County of Bristol		999.80
Available Funds		$2,999.60
Francies P. Brophy	$53.00	
Thomas C. Brophy	50.40	
Roy J. Daniels, Jr.	53.00	
Robert L. Drake, Jr.	53.00	
John W. Lewis	53.00	
William H. Litchfield	53.00	
William F. Lordan	53.00	
Winslow P. MacDonald	53.00	
Albert S. Smith	53.00	
Chester E. Styren	37.00	
Vernon E. Willis	53.00	

Materials	2,087.95	
Road Machinery Fund	347.05	
		2,999.40
Balance		$.20

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Transferred from Highway Funds		$3,700.00
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts		7,400.00
Received from County of Bristol		3,700.00
Available Funds		$14,800.00
Francis P. Brophy	$447.25	
Thomas C. Brophy	441.53	
Roy J. Daniels, Jr.	425.00	
Robert L. Drake, Jr.	520.00	
John W. Lewis	444.50	
William H. Litchfield	424.50	
William F. Lordan	420.50	
Winslow P. McDonald	421.50	
Albert S. Smith	432.50	
Chester E. Styren	436.50	
Vernon E. Willis	420.50	
Materials and Machine Hire	5,174.77	
Road Machinery Fund	2,612.20	
		12,621.25
Balance, January 1, 1949		$2,178.75

POQUANTICUT AVENUE SURVEY

Balance, January 1, 1948	$100.00
Expended	.00
Balance, January 1, 1949	$100.00

HOLLIS ROAD

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$2,500.00
Carl W. Erickson	$145.60	
Francis P. Brophy	44.00	

Thomas C. Brophy	71.40	
Roy J. Daniels, Jr.	44.00	
Robert L. Drake, Jr.	95.00	
John W. Lewis	72.00	
William H. Litchfield	36.00	
William F. Lordan	36.00	
Winslow P. MacDonald	40.00	
Albert S. Smith	84.00	
Chester E. Styren	20.00	
Vernon E. Willis	40.00	
Harold E. Sibley	49.88	
Materials and Equipment	950.43	
		1,728.31
Closed to Excess and Deficiency Fund		$771.69

HIGHWAY — NEW TRUCK PURCHASE

From Road Machinery Fund	$3,000.00
Paid McCarthy Equipment Co.	3,000...
Balance	$.00

PUBLIC WELFARE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$7,000.00	
From Reserve Fund	1,000.00	
		$8,000.00
Amount Expended		5,941.21
Unexpended Balance		$2,058.79

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE — TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$63,040.00
Amount Expended	63,036.75
Unexpended Balance	$3.25

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE — FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance, January 1, 1948	$16,448.73	

Federal Grants	41,498.92	
Available Funds		$57,947.65
Amount Expended		35,188.46
Balance, January 1, 1949		$22,759.19

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$300.00
Supplies	$32.24	
Postage	100.44	
		132.68
Unexpended Balance		$167.32

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION

FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance, January 1, 1948	$1,903.42	
Federal Grants	2,582.66	
Available Funds		$4,486.08
Social Worker	$1,432.50	
Office Supplies	27.96	
Addressograph	32.17	
Post Office Box Rent	2.40	
Servicing Typewriter	13.20	
Social Service Index	15.50	
		1,523.73
Balance, January 1, 1949		$2,962.35

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$7,900.00
Amount expended	7,900.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance, January 1, 1948	$817.17	
Federal Grants	2,666.63	
		$3,483.80
Expended		2,076.55
Balance, January 1, 1949		$1,407.25

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION

TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$100.00
Supplies	$12.07	
Postage, Stamps, etc.	20.00	
		32.07
Unexpended Balance		$67.93

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION

FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance, January 1, 1948	$218.22	
Federal Grants	148.64	
Available Funds		$366.86
Social Worker		202.50
Balance, January 1, 1949		$164.36

TOWN PHYSICIAN

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$800.00
Dr. W. M. Stevenson	800.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

CHILD WELFARE AND PRE-SCHOOL NURSING

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$600.00
Ellen A. Atwood	$300.00	
Clarabel A. Powell	300.00	
		600.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$1,000.00
Expended	64.94
Unexpended Balance	$935.06

FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$75.00
Finance reports	$13.50	
Association dues	10.00	
Services of Clerk	41.00	
		64.50
Unexpended Balance		$10.50

INCIDENTALS

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$100.00
Advertising on bids	31.50
Unexpended Balance	$68.50

MEMORIAL AND ARMISTICE DAY

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$500.00
Wreaths	$24.00	
Music	125.00	
Flags and Markers	45.22	
Transportation	160.83	
Postage	15.00	
All other	1.72	
		371.77
Unexpended Balance		$128.23

TOWN REPORTS

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$837.75
Advertising on bids	$5.00	
Printing and binding	742.65	
Delivery	90.00	
		837.65
Unexpended Balance		$.10

CEMETERIES AND GRASS PLOTS

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$400.00	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Balance, Jan. 1, 1948	77.32	
Cemetery Trust Fund Income, 1948	413.61	
		$890.93

Ralph Tufts	$196.00
Forrest Bailey	1.13
Henry Baxter	36.00
Joseph Correia	1.13
George C. Field	1.13
Tony Freitas	33.60
William Furlong	1.13
Frank Heal	1.13
Dwight Hill	1.13
Francis Le Roy	45.00
Francis Lordan	51.10
Harry Lothrop	3.77
Robert Mitchell	1.13
Fred Olin	1.13
Alvin Straight	1.13
Fred Tufts	33.60
George Varney	18.90
Vernon Willis	1.13
Equipment and Repairs	72.95
Insurance	33.81
All other	29.76

Special payments from cemetery funds to:

South Easton Cemetery Corporation	$7.54
Pine Grove Cemetery Corporation	47.29

Immaculate Conception Cemetery	5.02	
Furnace Village Cemetery	52.51	
		$678.15
Cemetery Fund Income Balance carried forward to January 1, 1949		$212.78

INTEREST ON NOTES

Appropriation, March 1, 1948	$150.00	
Transferred from Reserve Account	161.97	
		$311.97
Amount expended		311.97
Unexpended Balance		$.00

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$3,000.00
Transferred to Police Department	$400.00	
Transferred to Welfare Department	1,000.00	
Transferred to Interest on Notes	161.97	
Transferred to Tax Collector's Expense	100.00	
		$1,661.97
Balance transferred to Overlay Reserve		$1,338.03

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Appropriation, March 1, 1948		$164,474.38
Oliver Ames School Fund:		
Balance, January 1, 1948	$39.98	
Received during 1948	17,559.72	
	$17,599.70	
Less Bond Application	8,000.00	
		$9,599.70
Receipts from Oakes Ames Fund		3,512.88
Available Funds		$177,586.96

Teachers' Salaries:

Gilbert C. Mann, Supt.	$4,533.33
Gilman H. Campbell	3,800.00
Leon A. Regan	3,499.97
John F. Aldrich	1,033.36
Pauline E. Buck	1,983.33
Marietta Canan	2,699.97
Veronica E. Carter	2,500.05
Margaret G. Connolly	2,500.05
Margaret E. Dinneen	2,599.97
E.Elizabeth Donohue	2,422.33
Evelyn G. Foster	2,699.97
James C. Galt	1,160.00
Kathryn E. Healey	2,488.55
Adelaide W. Johnson	2,640.61
Pauline R. Lyons	2,599.97
Charles E. MacLeod	1,755.17
Lucille L. Marvill	2,599.97
John C. Mason	3,200.05
Barbara Nickerson	2,633.33
Herbert J. Rollins	853.64
Gladys T. Thomas	2,500.05
Thomas A. White	3,266.64
Johanna G. McFadden	2,899.97
Mary M. Buckley	2,399.97
Raylene B. Carlson	2,393.97
Catherine Q. Dineen	800.00
Viola M. Geddes	2,399.97
Olive H. Gurney	1,575.53
Mary V. Harvey	2,400.00
Gertrude B. Hawkes	733.36
Doris W. Leach	1,061.98
Grace P. Mills	2,399.97
Jeanette P. Smith	2,369.97
Eleanor M. Biechele	2,414.97
Lenore A. Rohdin	450.00
Margaret M. Walsh	666.64
Clarence O. Richardson	2,608.33
Priscilla H. Leighton	2,333.33
Esther A. De Avellar	2,466.61
Esther J. Heath	2,450.00
Anna A. Gilmore	2,400.00
Edith V. Goff	2,400.00
Helen A. Koroskys	2,366.69

Kathryn Goeres	23.00	
Beatrice Hollis	257.50	
Fred Jones	37.90	
John I. Lowndes	260.00	
Richard Nelson	8.00	
Florence H. O'Leary	538.37	
Leo Paananen	57.40	
Myron Thomas	62.20	
Idella M. Welch	245.00	
Louise E. Canegaly	1,586.64	
Warren F. Goodie	2,020.00	
Viola D. Harris	1,719.00	
June M. Harvey	1,520.00	
Anna G. Sullivan	2,119.82	
Edward C. Swenson	1,800.00	
Francis L. Thompson	1,091.50	
		$111,307.90

Oakes Ames Payroll:

Gilbert C. Mann	$200.00	
Pauline E. Buck	250.00	
Doris W. Leach	1,338.02	
Charles E. MacLeod	1,144.80	
		2,932.82

Janitors' Wages:

Alfred H. Dahlborg	$2,444.97
Charles A. Malloy	2,238.97
Hjalmer E. Johnson	2,399.97
Edward M. Williams	1,600.05
Clifton C. Ripley	1,604.05
Everett A. Dunn	1,074.99
Carrie M. Smith	600.01
Willis G. Buck	600.01
Werner Anderson	49.35
Hugh Donaghue	38.42
Thomas Donaghue	4.90
Thomas Franco	11.90
Mason Harvey	180.83
John P. Hegg	5.25
Carl Ottoson	5.00

David Robinson	85.03	
Manuel J. Santos	6.65	
Lawrence Mann	2.50	
		12,952.85
Grace M. Murch, School Nurse	2,633.33	
Marilyn E. Copeland, Clerk	1,442.83	
Elizabeth M. Slavin, Clerk	600.00	
Dr. Jacob Brenner	400.00	
Dr. Robert B. Porter	666.67	
Dr. Edward L. G. Jacoubs	20.00	
Supervisor of Attendance	110.00	
Office Expense	300.36	
Telephone	118.71	
Superintendent's travelling expense	275.00	
Text books	1,786.71	
Supplies, Instructional	4,337.92	
Supplies, Athletic	1,432.88	
Fuel	6,864.96	
Janitors' supplies	1,856.60	
Water	237.42	
Electricity	1,599.57	
Miscellaneous school plant	293.67	
Repairs	5,855.93	
Furniture and Furnishings	1,539.32	
Library	128.91	
Transportation of nurse	300.00	
Health supplies	83.46	
Miscellaneous Health	7.00	
Transportation	12,779.06	
Tuition	719.50	
General expense, sundries	226.46	
Graduation	157.11	
Insurance	2,891.44	
Cafeteria	90.00	
Permanent Improvement	24.95	
New Equipment	605.11	
Total Expended		177,578.45
Balance Ames School Fund, Jan. 1, 1949		$8.51

DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Commonwealth of Massachusetts		$3,043.55

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$472.85	
Sundry Persons	5.00	
Reimbursement for Hospital care	759.00	
Pasteurization Licenses	20.00	
Ice Cream Manufacturing License	1.00	
Trailer Camp License—Renewal	.50	
Slaughtering License	25.00	
Beverage License—Simpson Spring	20.00	
Milk Licenses	28.00	
Oleomargarine Licenses	8.50	
		1,339.85

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$332.50	
Sale of old Steam roller	100.00	
Labor, Machinery hire	204.50	
		637.00

INCIDENTALS

Licenses	$3,258.00	
Sale of History of Easton	35.00	
Confiscated checks—old	22.88	
		3,315.88

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$37,107.84	
City of Brockton	510.05	
City of Boston	370.89	

Town of Andover	71.10	
Town of Wakefield	9.63	
Town of Whitinsville	19.20	
		38,088.71

PUBLIC WELFARE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$671.61	
Town of Scituate	191.90	
		863.51

POLICE DEPARTMENT

First District Court of Bristol Co.—Fines	$425.90	
Revolver Permits	21.00	
Ambulance Hire	78.00	
		524.90

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Sale of Voting Lists	2.00

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Fees	91.71

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$195.69	
H. A. Richards—Tuition	129.09	
Town of Sharon—Tuition	255.65	
Town of Stoughton—Tuition	185.10	
Rental of Hall	236.00	
Supplies sold, mimeograph work, etc.	106.54	
		1,108.07

TREE DEPARTMENT

Labor and Materials	127.30

TAX COLLECTOR

Fees	$535.90	
State of Tax Lien	1.00	
		536.90

TOWN CLERK

Fees	1,131.20

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	52.50

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

POLICE DEPARTMENT:		
Sundry Persons—Amublance Hire		$71.00
TREE DEPARTMENT:		
Labor		1.10
HEALTH DEPARTMENT:		
Sundry Persons		59.00
WELFARE DEPARTMENT:		
City of Boston	$1,912.06	
City of Brockton	137.67	
Town of East Bridgewater	85.40	
Town of Princeton	168.00	
Town of Scituate	50.00	
		2,353.13
A.D.C.—STATE		982.31
O.A.A.—CITIES AND TOWNS:		
City of Boston	$620.46	
City of Brockton	471.38	

Town of Whitinsville	37.70	
		1,129.54

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$4,113.11	
Norman Cogswell	27.90	
Charles A. Crocker	23.04	
A. J. Smith, Jr.	90.41	
		4,254.46
Total Accounts Receivable		**$8,850.54**

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN I. LOWNDES,

Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET — December 31, 1948

ASSETS

Cash:		
General	$84,037.15	
Special Playground	13,807.27	
		$97,844.42
Accounts Receivable:		
Town Taxes:		
Levy of 1947	$1,959.79	
Levy of 1948	21,465.83	
		23,425.62
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax of 1948		1,540.93
Town Tax Titles		2,821.62
Town Tax Possessions		171.31
Departmental Accounts Receivable:		
Police Ambulance Service	$71.00	
Tree Department	1.10	
Public Welfare	2,353.13	
A.D.C. State	982.31	
O.A.A. Cities and Towns	1,129.54	
Schools	4,254.46	
Health	59.00	
		8,850.54

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Road Machinery Fund		$4,661.32
Playground Fund		13,807.27
Proceeds from Sale of Real Estate		7,077.00
Reserve for Town Dump Purchase		400.00
Reserve for Numbering Streets		250.00
Ames Highway Fund Income		260.39
Reserve for Poquanticut Ave. Survey		100.00
Oliver Ames School Fund Income		8.51
Cemetery Trust Fund Income		212.78
Recovery Account Health		441.12
Chapter 90 Construction		2,178.75
Federal Grant Balances:		
Old Age Assistance	$22,759.19	
Old Age Assistance Adm.	2,962.35	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,407.25	
Aid to Depednent Children Adm.	164.36	
		27,293.15
Overlay Reserve		11,830.36
Overlay for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1947	$1,364.62	
Levy of 1948	783.27	
		2,147.89

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES		
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
State Aid to Highways	5,703.76	Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	$1,540.93	
County Aid to Highway	2,851.88	Town Tax Titles	2,821.62	
Bristol County T.B. Hospital	632.02	Town Tax Possessions	171.31	
State Parks and Reservations	58.11	Departmental	8,850.54	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	561.82			
County Tax	1,500.18			13,384.40
	$145,962.21	Surplus Revenue in Excess & Deficiency Account		61,909.27
				$145,962.21
DEBT ACCOUNTS				
Net Funded or Fixed Debts	$19,500.00	School Loan		$19,500.00
DISTRICT ACCOUNTS				
Accounts Receivable:		Revenue Pledged to District when Collected:		
North Easton District Taxes	$493.29	NorthEaston District Taxes		$493.29
North Easton District Tax Titles	31.54	North Easton District Tax Titles		31.54
South Easton & Eastondale Taxes	248.54	South Easton & Eastondale Taxes		248.54
South Easton & Eastondale Tax Titles	3.88	South Easton & Eastondale Tax Titles		3.88
South Easton & Eastondale Tax Possessions	2.70	South Easton & Eastondale Tax Possession		2.70
Unionville District Taxes	196.41	Unionville District Taxes		196.41
Unionville Tax Titles	63.91	Unionville Tax Titles		63.91
Unionville Tax Possessions	.89	Unionville Tax Possessions		.89
Easton Center Taxes	197.75	Easton Center Taxes		197.75
	$1,238.91			$1,238.91

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN I. LOWNDES,
Town Accountant

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

CONCERNING THE ARTICLES IN THE TOWN WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 7, 1949

The Town Meeting this year will be held on Monday, the 7th day of March at 8 o'clock in the evening at the High School Auditorium. We request that every citizen who possibly can, attend this meeting.

Your Finance Committee submits herewith its recommendations on the appropriations in the articles appearing in the 1949 Town Warrant, including department estimates.

For the past several years we have recommended a wage and salary increase as a supplement toward the increased cost of living, and that these increases be granted on a temporary, rather than a permanent basis. This year we are not recommending the reduction of wages or salaries, but we do feel that the cost of living has reached its high point and is now gradually being reduced; therefore, we do not think it advisable to recommend a cost of living increase for town employees for 1949.

We feel that general business conditions are not good, especially the shoe industry, which employs many of our taxpayers. We realize the war boom is over. Therefore, we think it is advisable to hold the line this year and not have our taxpayers face a higher tax rate with lower income. We feel the citizens of Easton have been very liberal to our town officials and employees during the past several years. To refresh your memory we print the tax rate of Easton for the following years: 1945 tax rate—$27.00, 1946 tax rate—$31.00, 1947 tax rate—$36.00, and 1948 tax rate—$45.00. This is an increase in our town tax rate of $18.00, not including our various district taxes.

Each department request has been carefully considered with respect to the operations of the department and the ability of the townspeople to assume more and more property tax burden. In view of the general economic conditions and the trend toward lower cost of living and decreased employment we felt we should try and avoid increases in the budget wherever possible. For the most part this has been accomplished. In some instances, such as public welfare, aid to dependent children and old age assistance, due to estimated increased loads and changes in the laws governing these departments imposed by the state and federal governments, we have very little control over the amounts that we are forced to spend as required by law. We know these funds are wisely handled by our local officials and that we get the most out of our funds for this purpose.

Regarding Chapter 643 of the Acts of 1948, which becomes law on January 1, 1949, we have a letter from Henry F. Long, Tax Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and we quote: "On that date (January 1, 1949) the present method of distributing a portion of the income tax on a basis of Chapter 70 which relates to schools is abandoned, and a new formula comes into effect which cannot be accurate or fully determined until reports are made on or about July 31, 1949. You are advised, so far as the assessors are concerned, that the situation has not been changed in any respect by virtue of the passage of Chapter 643 because the money coming to them from the income tax receipts is to be used in its entirety to reduce the tax on real estate and tangible personal property. It is money that belongs to the municipalities and will be used to offset the appropriations for any of the activities in which the municipalities are engaged."

No doubt, this new law will be explained more fully at the meeting.

We have made no attempt to estimate what effect the State, County or district taxes will have on the 1949 tax rate of the Town of Easton, as these taxes are not published until after the annual Town Meeting.

We have, as usual, obtained the utmost cooperation from the town officers and department heads. Their friendly assistance is greatly appreciated.

In closing, we cordially invite and strongly urge the citizens of Easton to attend this, your annual business meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. AMES, JR.
LAWRENCE H. BIGNEY
MERVIN I. BOWDEN
JOSEPH CONNOLLY
EDGAR A. CRAIG
NORMAN O. DURFEE
HERMAN HALVARSON
JOHN B. HOWARD
FRANK D. LEARY
NEUBERT B. MORSE
FRANK H. SARGENT, JR.
LEO R. SCHLEICHER
RICHARD L. SPROUL
CLARKE L. WILCOX
MYRON F. WILLIAMS

Finance Committee

Town of Easton

TOWN OF EASTON — BUDGET FOR TOWN MEETING, 1949

	Appropriated 1948	Expended 1948	Requested 1949	Recommended 1949
Assessor's Expense	$885.00	$883.47	$950.00	$950.00
Aid to Dependent Children	7,900.00	(A) 9,976.55	16,000.00	16,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children, Adm.	100.00	(B) 234.57	100.00	100.00
Care of Cemeteries	400.00	(C) 678.15	400.00	400.00
Dog Officer	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Election Expense	1,500.00	1,475.09	600.00	600.00
Finance Committee Expense	75.00	64.50	75.00	75.00
Fire Department	12,253.00	11,862.16	12,253.00	12,253.00
Forest Warden's Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Health Department	8,000.00	6,398.11	7,000.00	7,000.00
Hire of Nurses	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Inspector of Animals	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Interest on Notes	150.00	(D) 311.97	300.00	300.00
Incidentals	100.00	31.50	100.00	100.00
Legal Expense	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
Moth Department	2,300.00	2,292.29	2,300.00	2,300.00
Old Age Assistance	63,040.00	(E) 98,225.21	66,340.00	66,340.00
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	300.00	(F) 1,656.41	300.00	300.00
Police Department	13,550.00	(G) 13,947.68	13,610.00	13,610.00
Public Welfare	7,000.00	5,941.19	8,000.00	7,000.00
Road Department	33,000.00	(H) 66,226.06	30,000.00	30,000.00
Registrars of Voters' Expense	600.00	567.41	500.00	500.00
Registrars of Voters' Salaries	225.00	225.00	225.00	225.00
Rent of Town Offices	1,500.00	1,455.80	1,500.00	1,500.00
Reserve Fund	*3,000.00	1,661.97	3,000.00	(a) 3,000.00
Schools	164,474.38	(I) 177,578.45	184,696.24	176,596.24
Sealer of Weights & Measures	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Selectmen's Expense	300.00	289.39	300.00	300.00
Soldiers' Relief	1,000.00	64.94	1,000.00	1,000.00
Tax Collector's Expense	1,650.00	(J) 1,743.37	1,750.00	1,750.00

Town Accountant's Salary	800.00	800.00	1,000.00	800.00
Town Accountant's Expense	75.00	73.15	100.00	100.00
Town Clerk's Expense	700.00	687.29	700.00	700.00
Town Officers' Salaries	7,165.00	(K) 7,365.00	7,365.00	7,365.00
Town Physician	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
Town Reports	837.75	837.65	as invoiced	
Town Treasurer's Expense	900.00	900.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Tree Department	5,000.00	4,997.75	7,500.00	7,500.00
Memorial & Armistice Day	500.00	371.77	500.00	500.00
Town Collector & Treasurer, Salary Increase	200.00	200.00	....	....
Police Automobiles	1,500.00	1,500.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Police Radios	1,000.00	(L) 1,269.50	....	....
Tree Department Truck	1,800.00	1,650.00	....	....
Fence at Town Dump	1,000.00	1,000.00	....	....
Repairs to Hollis Road	2,500.00	1,728.31	....	....
Rubbish Collection	3,000.00	1,912.50	Est. 3,000.00	3,000.00
Road Department Truck	#3,000.00	3,000.00	2,500.00	(b) 2,500.00
Health Department—Salary Increases			300.00	....
Purchase of Land for School Purposes			600.00	600.00
Repairs to Wilbar Street			1,500.00	1,500.00
Department of Veterans' Service			450.00	450.00
	$356,580.13	$435,384.16	$383,114.24	$373,514.24

*	Appropriated from Overlay Reserve	
#	Appropriated from Road Machinery Account	
(A)	Received from Federal Grant	$2,076.55
(B)	Received from Federal Grant	202.50
(C)	Received from Trust Funds	278.15
(D)	Transferred from Reserve Fund	161.97
(E)	Received from Federal Grant	35,188.46
(F)	Received from Federal Grant	1,523.73
(G)	Transferred from Reserve Fund	400.00
(H)	Received from Ames Funds, State and County	33,226.06
(I)	Received from Ames Funds	13,104.07
(J)	Transferred from Reserve Fund	100.00
	Expended	93.37
(K)	Raised and apropriated under a special article	200.00
(L)	Balance in account at 1/1/48	273.50
(a)	To be apropriated from Overlay Reserve	
(b)	To be appropriated from Ames Fund	

ARTICLES IN TOWN WARRANT

Your committee acts as follows on the articles in the Town Warrant:

ARTICLE 1. No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 2. See our budget.

ARTICLE 3. We recommend the sum of $500.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

ARTICLE 4. We recommend the adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 5. This article to be referred to the assessors.

ARTICLE 6. We recommend the adoption of this atricle.

ARTICLE 7. We recommend that $2500.00 be appropriated from the Ames Fund for this purpose.

ARTICLE 8. We recommend the adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 9. We refer this article to the Town Meeting as we do not have enough information to make a definite recommendation.

ARTICLE 10. We refer this article to the Town Meeting as we do not have enough information to make a definite recommendation.

ARTICLE 11. We do not recommend the adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 12. We refer this to the Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 13. We recommend that $3000.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

ARTICLE 14. We recommend that $2000.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

ARTICLE 15. We recommend that $600.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

ARTICLE 16. We recommend that $1,500 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

ARTICLE 17. We recommend that $450.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose; $300.00 for the salary of the Service representative and $150.00 for expenses.

ARTICLE 18. We recommend the adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 19. We recommend the adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 20. We recommend the adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 21. No recommendation.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
1949

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Easton in the County of Bristol, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium in said Easton on Monday, the seventh day of March, next, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant, Tree Warden and any committee of the Town and take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day and Armistice Day to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial Year beginning January 1, 1950, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use from surplus revenue to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes, such sums as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the Town. Said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County for the purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to purchase one truck for the Highway Department, a certain truck of said department to be applied toward the purchase price of same, and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to transfer the sum of $400 formerly set up for the purchase of a Town Dump in South Easton to the Excess and Deficiency account so-called.

ARTICLE 9. To see what action the Town will take in respect of the purchase of gas masks for use by members of the Fire Department as is required under the provisions of Chapter 337 of the Acts of 1948, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ARTICLE 10. To see what action the Town will take in respect of the purchase of a gun or other suitable device capable of throwing a projectile with a cord attached thereto, and a life net or jumping net, for use by members of the Fire Department as is required under the provisions of General Laws Chapter 48, Section 50, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salaries of the members of the Board of Health, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, in the name of and in behalf of the Town, to execute, acknowledge and deliver a proper instrument releasing to the Trustees of Pvt. George F. Schindler Post 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, the condition or restriction appearing in its deed from said Town dated May 16,1933, recorded Bristol County Northern District Registry of Deeds, Book 817, Pages 563-564, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract with a person or persons for the collection of rubbish and for the upkeep of the Town Dump, located at the end of Baldwin Street, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new car for the Police Department, a car now in use to be turned in as part of the purchase price, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen for and in behalf of the Town, to purchase from Raleigh A. Holden certain land situated on the Easterly side of Pine Street as shown on a plan on file in the Town Clerk's Office, the same to be used for school purposes, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to accept Wilbur Street as a Public Way from Sheridan Street easterly to a point opposite the property of Albert A. Giordano as shown on a plan on file in the Town Clerk's Office and authorize the Selectmen in the name and on behalf of the Town to acquire the land by gift for highway purposes, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money to make necessary repairs therefor, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

(By petition of Albert A. Giordano and others)

ARTICLE 17. To see what action the Town will take to establish a Department of Veterans' Services, the appointment of a veteran as director of Veterans' Services, the appointment of an advisory board of five persons and the establishment of an office for the Department of Veterans' Services as is required under the provisions of Chapter five hundred and ninety-nine (599) of the Acts of 1946 and to raise and appropriate such sum or sums as may be necessary for the establishment and maintenance of the Department of Veterans' Services in compliance with the Laws of the Commonwealth.
(By petition)

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a building survey committee consisting of five voters to study available school housing, prospective school enrollments, and any needed new construction, said Committee to report its findings at the next Annual Town Meeting or at any special Town Meeting that may be held before that time.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee consisting of five members to study the advisability of erecting a Town garage, said Committee to report its findings at the next Annual Town Meeting or at any special Town meeting that may be held before that time.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee consisting of five voters to study the advisability of establishing a Planning Board within the Town, said Committee to report its findings at the next Annual Town Meeting or at any special Town meeting that may be held before that time.

ARTICLE 21. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, qualified to vote in elections, residing in Precinct One, to meet at the Furnace Village School; those residing in Precinct Two to meet at the High School Auditorium; and those residing in Precinct Three, to meet at the South Easton School House on Monday, the 14th day of March next at

10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes all on one ballot for one member of the Board of Assessors, for a term of three years; one member of the Board of Health, for a term of three years; and one member of the School Committee for a term of three years; Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Tree Warden, and a Finance Committee of fifteen, all for a term of one year. The Polls will be open at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each meeting house and post office in said Town, and one at the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting, and said Town Clerk is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Warden or Deputy Warden at the time and place of holding said meeting for the election of officers, and said Warden is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Town Clerk, together with his return of officers elected at the close of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 31st day of January in the year nineteen hundred and forty-nine.

LEWIS R. MASON

DENIS C. BROPHY

ALBERT E. WOOD

Selectmen of Easton

ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and the Sixty-third from the office of the

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

of the

TOWN OF EASTON

MASSACHUSETTS

For the Year Ending December 31,

1948

Annual Report of the School Committee

To the citizens of Easton:

The School Committee submits in the following paragraphs its one hundred twenty-first annual report.

Changes in Committee Membership

In March, two veteran board members severed their official connection with the schools. Roger A. McNamara had served a total of fifteen years, while Edgar W. Watts had served about four years. Both gave of their time and talents unstintingly for the good of the schools. They were succeeded by David Ames and Donald W. Bellows.

Staff Members Retire

Two members of the staff of the public schools retired in 1948, after long periods of service.

Louise E. Canegaly retired at the close of the year in June, after having taught forty-one years in Easton schools. Miss Canegaly was always rated as a superior teacher, and her work was especially outstanding in the teaching of primary reading.

Dr. Robert B. Porter retired from his position as school physician on September 1 after serving the schools in that capacity for more than forty years. His work involved two mornings each week during the fall term for physical examinations and clinics, and numerous daily examinations of pupils at his office. His influence on the health of generations of Easton young people has been far reaching, and this fact gives him, we hope, much satisfaction as he looks back upon his work with them.

Growth in School Enrollment.

The annual report of the Superintendent of Schools deals in some detail with the growth in school enrollment, including estimated enrollments through 1954 based on a census of pre-school children taken in December, 1948. This study indicates continued over-crowding in lower grades, and eventually in all grades, in the South Easton, Eastondale and Furnace Village Schools. It has been necessary during the present school year to transfer sixth grade pupils from the Furnace Village School to the North Easton Grammar School, and the estimates for the school year 1949-50 indicate that it will be necessary beginning next September to transfer fifth and sixth grade pupils at Furnace Village School, and sixth grade pupils at the South Easton and Eastondale Schools, to the North Easton Grammar School.

The expected necessity of transferring upper grade pupils from these outlying schools to the North Easton Grammar School will make the employment of two more teachers at that building necessary, beginning in September. It will also require the use of the last available rooms at that building, unless the kindergarten is returned to the assembly room.

Because of these conditions, the School Committee has caused to be inserted in the warrant for the annual town meeting an article requesting the voters to authorize the appointment of a school housing survey committee. It will be some time before there is a shortage of school rooms in the North Easton section of the town, provided elemntary pupils from other sections of the town can be cared for in their own districts. The two small buildings in the South Easton-Eastondale district are bcoming inadequate. It is in this section that the greatest amount of new building is taking place, and hence this growth in school enrollment is not likely to be temporary. The growth in school enrollment at the Furnace Village School may or may not be temporary. A building survey committee is needed to study such problems as those of likely temporary and permanent enrollment increases and school housing needs connected with these problems.

We have requested insertion in the warrant for the town meeting of another article which if approved by the voters will make possible the acquisition of more land at the Eastondale

School, including land east of the present lot and the forty-foot right of way from Pine Stret at the southern edge of the present lot. Any expansion of the Eastondale School would presumably require adding to the easterly side of the building, thus encroaching on present play areas. The additional land is necessary to ensure adequate playground space.

Chapter 645, Acts of 1948, of the Massachusetts General Court, provides construction grants from the state for approved new school buildings. Under this law Easton appears to be eligible to receive state aid up to fifty percent of the cost of construction. Applications for aid under this law will not be considered after June 30, 1951. The possibility of assistance under this law, and the need for action before July 1, 1951, make the need of the appointment of a school building survey committee urgent.

School Transportation

The growing school population necessitated some minor changes in bus routes when school sessions were resumed in September. These changes were chiefly in the Poquanticut district and resulted in some extra mileage.

Pupils attending Junior-Senior High School from outlying sections of the town are often deprived of the benefits of athletics and other extra-curricular activities, and of opportunities to get help after school or to go to the Ames Free Library for reference work, because of the fact that the school busses return them to their homes promptly after the close of school. It has been proposed that a late bus, leaving the High School shortly after five o'clock in the afternoon and going via Elm, Washington, Turnpike, Foundry, Bay and Lincoln Streets, be provided for the accommodation of those who through no fault of their own are being deprived of these phases of high school life. Under the law, the State reimburses the town for expenditures in excess of $5.00 per pupil in average membership for transportation of pupils living one and a half or more miles from the school. Since our expenditures already exceed $5.00 per pupil, any additional transportation expenses for pupils living the required distance from the school would eventually be repaid the town by the state. It would be necessary to include funds for this additional transportation in the school appropriation but most of it would be returned to the town in November or in the following year.

We have included $700 in our 1949 budget for this purpose, with the intention of putting the plan into operation in the spring.

Repairs to School Buildings

During the past three years we have made real progress in putting the interiors of our school buildings into good condition. As we have pointed out in previous reports, this work was neglected from 1934 until the beginning of World War II because of the lack of funds, and during the war because of shortages and high prices.

The principal items of repair work accomplished in 1948 were considerable interior painting at the High School, North Easton Grammar School, Unionville School, and Eastondale School; replacing two pairs of heavy interior doors at the Eastondale School; replacing the flagpole at Unionville School; numerous plumbing repairs and changes at all schools; along with the countless minor items which have to be attended to as they arise. Replacement of worn out window shades exceeded $400 in cost. The kitchens of the two hot lunch projects were greatly improved during the year, and considerable progress was made in bringing shop equipment at the high school up to better standards. A fire resistant filing cabinet was purchased for the principal's office at the High School.

Distribution of maintenance costs in 1948 is shown in the following table:

	Repairs	**Furniture & Furnishings**
Junior-Senior High School	$2510.06	$1204.05
North Easton Grammar School	1081.95	160.99
South Easton School	272.20	47.64
Eastondale School	1332.85	62.67
Furnace Village School	137.64	29.62
Poquanticut School	109.66	34.35
Unionville School	411.57	....
Total	$5855.93	$1539.32

Plans for 1949 include the painting of the fence at the Easton Grammar School; painting the assembly hall at the

High School; painting the exterior wood trim at the North Eastondale School; painting one classroom and parts of corridors at the North Easton Grammar School; painting one classroom, the boys' shower room and portions of the gymnasium at the High School; repairing damage due to moisture penetration through brick walls in the boys' shower room and in one classroom at the High School, along with the customary minor repair work. It is planned to provide a new cyclorama for the stage of the high school auditorium, window shades for three rooms, and some shop tools and bench vises at the High School.

A stoker must be provided to eliminate the difficult and unsatisfactory hand firing at the North Easton Grammar School. We hope to be able to apply "blacktop" surfacing to about five hundred square yards of the area east and south of the North Easton Grammar School, in order to eliminate mud. Similar work is needed at the South Easton, Eastondale and Furnace Village Schools, but present plans will defer that work until after 1949. Our budget also provides for connecting the present water heating arrangements at the Furnace Village School to the boiler of the heating plant. Purchase of some needed equipment for various schools is needed, including pupils' desks and seats for two rooms at the North Easton Grammar School which at present are not used as classrooms but which will be so used next fall. Items mentioned in this paragraph are provided for under the heading of "Outlay" in our Budget.

Teachers' Salaries

Our budget provides in general for a $200 salary increase for elementary teachers and women teachers in the High School, and $100 for men teachers in the High School, retroactive to January 1. These increases are exclusive of the $100 annual increments for teachers below maximums (for which only seven teachers are eligible in 1949), effective next September. A new salary schedule has been adopted, which sets up maxumums of $2800 for teachers with no degree, $3000 for teachers with a bachelor's degree, and $3100 for teachers with a master's degree. A teacher with no degree but having ten years of teaching experience to his credit will be considered for salary purposes as having the equivalent of a bachelor's degree. Teachers will work up to the new maximums by increments.

With few exceptions the cities and towns of this area have adopted the principle of equal pay for men and women teachers of similar preparation and experience, and most communities now pay elementary teachers the same as high school teachers with corresponding training and teaching experience. Consequently, to obtain suitable teachers when vacancies occur, it has been necessary for us to adopt a similar plan. We have been forced to take this stand in spite of the fact that we are opposed to paying women teachers the same as men. The new schedule for Easton reflects the trend toward eliminating any discrimination in pay because of sex or grade taught.

Our salary schedule strikes an average figure as compared to schedules of most other communities. Teachers with a bachelor's degree, regardless of sex or of grade taught, may work up to the maximums indicated in nearby towns, as follows: Bridgewater $3000, Franklin $2850, Mansfield $3200, Sharon $3150, Walpole $3450, Foxboro $3200, Stoughton $3000, Norton $2800, Whitman $2800. East Bridgewater has a maximum of $2600 for elementary teachers and $2700 for high school teachers.

The salary increases for 1949, plus provision for employing two additional elementary teachers, bring the salary item of the budget to $120,703. Teachers' salaries cost the town in 1948 $109,507.39.

The New State Aid Law

The costs of operating the public school system in Easton have increased greatly in recent years. This is equally true of school costs in other communities. In 1931, $108,121.01 was spent for the support of schools. In 1935, due to the effects of the depression, this figure had dropped to $87,591.62. In 1941 it was $91,740.04. In 1948 we expended $177,578.45.

Since the principal source of revenue for school support has been the local tax on real estate, the sharp increases in costs of school and other municipal services have resulted in increasing the tax rate to a point where it is becoming oppressive. Under pressure from state wide demands for relief, the General Court of the Commonwealth in 1948 enacted a new state school aid law. The law did not provide any new sources of tax money, but it did provide a new basis for distributtion of state funds, chiefly proceeds of the state income tax, to the towns. Under the new law towns with a low valuation per capita receive a greater amount of state funds than formerly.

In 1948 Easton received $10,325.00 from the state on account of teachers' salaries, and $5874.80 as reimbursement on school transportation expenditures. Under the new law it is estimated that the town will receive from the state in 1949 the sum of $33,261 based on the registration of minors 7 to 16 years of age in the town. In addition the town will receive about $6000 in 1949 from the state as partial reimbursement for the amount spent for school transportation.

The December, 1948, issue of "Tax Talk," the monthly publication of the Massachusetts Federation of Taxpayers Associations, on page 4 has the following to say about the new law:

> "The new law adds nothing to the budgetary powers of school committees. None is necessary. But it does give the school committees of poorer communities a financial justification for seeking a higher school appropriation—up to the amount of the additional school grant—if there is a genuine need for the higher appropriation. It gives them a necessary argument which is made more telling by the requirement that the new grant be specified in the school budget as school income. There is nothing to require the school committee to increase its budget by the full amount of the increased grant; but it has the authority, and at least some financial justification, for doing so. If a school committee choses not to reffect the full increase in state aid in its budget requests, then quite obviously the part of the additional grant which is not used for additional school purposes, in that year, will be available for general municipal purposes."

Since the new law provides a new way for apportioning state funds to the towns and cities, rather than providing new sources of money, fairness compels an examination of the net effect of the law on the total finances of the town. While 1949 school aid to Easton will be about $23,000 higher than 1948, there will be less money to be distributed on a valuation basis. In 1948 Easton received $19,351.53 on this basis. The 1949 distribution on this basis has been estimated at about $10,752.00, a decrease of about $8600. Setting this decrease against the school aid increase of $23,000 shows that the net increase to the town will be about $14,400.00, equivalent to about $2.75 on the tax rate.

The 1949 Budget

The 1949 Budget, shown in detail in the figures which follow, totals $194,937.00. This is an increase of $17,350.04, or 9.8%, over last year's expenditures, and an increase of $20,972.36, or 12%, over last year's budget. The appropriation needed is $184,696.24, an increase of $20,221.86, or 12.3%, over the 1948 appropriation. Estimated departmental receipts, including state aid but excluding income from the Ames School Funds, will be about $45,645 in 1949, as compared to $21,539.59 in 1948,—an increase of about $24,105.00. As pointed out in preceding paragraphs it is estimated that the town will receive from the state income tax distributed on a valuation basis about $8,600 less than in 1948, so that the net effect of the increased departmental receipts and the changed formula for distributing state funds to towns will be a gain to Easton of about $15,505.00. Thus the net increase in cost to the town for schools in 1949 should be about $4720.00, or less than $1.00 on the tax rate.

According to figures at hand, budget increases for school purposes will be necessary in practically every town in this area. Available figures show that Whitman is requesting an increase of 20.4%, Stoughton 14.5% Sharon 14%, Abington 13%, Mansfield 18%, Braintree 14%, Bridgewater 10%, Hanover 17%, and Attleboro 13.5%.

The question may properly be raised as to how our expenditures per pupil compare with those of other communities. Figures are available for the school year ending June 30, 1948. During this period Easton expended $163.55 per pupil in average membership. The median for all Massachusetts towns over 5000 population (excluding cities) was $163.68. The median for all Massachusetts towns under 5000 population which maintain high schools was $164.90. These figures show that our expenditures per pupil are very close to the average.

Nearly all items of the budget are higher than they were a year ago. The major increases are in teachers' salaries, maintenance of buildings and grounds, transportation of pupils, permanent improvement and new equipment. All of these items are discussed in previous paragraphs of this report.

The proposed salary increases may seem to be considerable in view of the increases granted in recent years. We believe that there are compelling reasons for our action at this time. It must be remembered that our teachers are professional people, most of whom are marked by an unusual devotion to duty. We have an obligation to see that good teachers are retained in Easton. A relatively low salary schedule causes frequent changes in the teaching staff, a condition which is detrimental to the welfare of the schools. We must pay salaries which will not compare too unfavorably with those paid in towns of comparable size if we are to prevent an excessive number of changes in our staff. The School Committee would be woefully negligent in its duties if it had not recognized the situation and attempted to meet it. The comparatively small amount included for salary increases should, we feel, produce results in maintaining the high standards of our schools far in excess of its relative importance in the total budget.

Detailed figures of the budget follow. Figures are also given for expenditures for corresponding items in 1948. The 1948 departmental receipts are shown, along with estimated receipts for 1949.

BUDGET 1949

	Expended, 1948		Needed, 1949	
General Control		$ 7,580.23		$ 7,319.00
School Committee				
Office Expense	$300.36		$150.00	
Telephone	118.71		125.00	
Superintendent's Expense				
Travelling Expense	275.00		300.00	
Supervisor of Attendance	110.00		110.00	
Clerk's Salary	2,042.83		1,834.00	
Superintendent's Salary	4,733.33		4,800.00	
Salaries of Teachers		109,507.39		120,703.00
Textbooks		1,786.71		2,400.00
Supplies		5,770.80		5,000.00
Instructional	4,337.92		4,000.00	
Athletic	1,432.88		1,000.00	

	Expended, 1948		Needed, 1949	
Operating Expense		23,805.07		24,570.00
Janitors' Wages	12,952.85		13,645.00	
Fuel	6,864.96		7,600.00	
Janitors' Supplies	1,856.60		1,400.00	
Water	237.42		225.00	
Electricity	1,599.57		1,400.00	
Misc. School Plant	293.67		300.00	
Maintenance		7,395.25		7,472.00
Repairs	5,855.93		5,737.00	
Furniture and Furnishings	1,539.32		1,735.00	
Library		128.91		150.00
Health		4,110.46		4,145.00
Salary of Physician	1,086.67		1,000.00	
Salary of Nurse	2,633.33		2,800.00	
Transportation	300.00		300.00	
Supplies	83.46		30.00	
Miscellaneous	7.00		15.00	
Transportation		12,779.06		14,380.00
Tuition		719.50		1,100.00
Sundries		3,365.01		3,810.00
General	226.46		360.00	
Graduation	157.11		150.00	
Insurance	2,891.44		3,300.00	
Cafeteria	90.00		......	
Outlay		630.06		3,888.00
Permanent Improvement	24.95		1,350.00	
New Equipment	605.11		2,538.00	
		$177,578.45		$194,937.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

A. 1948

(1) Appropriation, March, 1948 $164,474.38

(2) Receipts, Oliver Ames School Fund:		
Carried from 1947	$39.98	
Received in 1948	17,559.72	
Less amount applied on Bond Account	8,000.00	
Available for operating expenses		9,599.70
(3) Receipts, Oakes Ames School Fund		3,512.88
(4) Total available for support of schools		$177,586.96
(5) Total expended during 1948		177,578.45
(6) Balance, Ames Fund account		$8.51

B. 1949

(1) Town appropriation requested		$184,696.24
(2) Estimated from Oliver Ames Fund in 1949	$14,500.00	
Less amount to be applied on Bond Account	7,818.75	
Available for operating expenses		6,782.25
(3) Carried from 1948 in Ames Fund Account		8.51
(4) Available from Oakes Ames Fund, 1949		3,450.00
(5) Amount of Total budget		$194,937.00

C. Estimated Departmental Receipts, 1949:

It is estimated that the following sums will be received by the town on account of its schools, all of which will go into the general fund of the Town Treasury:

From the State, tuition and transportation of State Wards	$4,200.00
From the State, as reimbursement in part for expenditures for pupil transportation	6,000.00
From the State, as aid to schools, Chapter 643, G. L.	33,261.00
From the town of Sharon, tuition and transportation of eight pupils	1,100.00

From the town of Stoughton, tuition and transportation of two pupils	260.00
Tuition to be paid by private individuals	160.00
From the State, reimbursement on account of trade school tuition paid (one half of the amount paid for the year ending August 31, 1948)	264.50
From rental of halls	300.00
From supplies sold, etc.	100.00
Total	$45,645.50

If the above estimated receipts for 1949 are subtracted from the appropriation requested for 1949, the balance will show the approximate net amount to be raised by local taxation for the schools in 1949, which is $139,050.74, ($184,696.24 minus $45,645.50 equals $139,050.74).

D. Receipts and Bills Receivable, 1948

(1) The following amounts were received during 1948 and went into the general fund of the Town Treasury:

From the State, on account of Teachers' Salaries	$10,325.00	
From the State, as reimbursement in part for pupil transportation costs	5,874.80	
From the State, as reimbursement in the amount of one half the expenditures for trade school tuition for the year ending June 30, 1947	195.69	
From H. A. Richards, Norton, tuition	129.09	
From the town of Sharon, tuition	255.65	
From the town of Stoughton, tuition	185.10	
From rental of halls	236.00	
From supplies sold, mimeograph work, etc.	106.84	
Total		$17,308.17

(2) Accounts receivable:

From the State, tuition and transportation of State Wards	$4,113.11	
Norman Cogswell, West Bridgewater, tuition	27.90	
A. J. Smith, Easton, tuition	90.41	
		4,231.42
Total		$21,539.59

Respectfully submitted,

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January 27, 1949

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Easton:

It is a pleasure to submit in the following pages my twenty-fourth annual report as superintendent of schools, and the sixty-third in the series of annual reports from this office. It will call attention, as in past years, to the achievements, problems and needs of the public schools as they have developed in 1948.

A year ago, in the annual report for 1947, I pointed out two factors which stood out as characterizing that year in the administration of a public school system. They were greatly increased school costs and a shortage of well trained and competent teachers. Both of these characteristics still persist, but two others have become prominent. They are a pronounced increase in elementary school enrollments and rapid increases in the salary maximums for teachers. These changes, all tending to increase the costs of schools, are of course state wide and nation wide.

Growth in School Enrollment

The past two years have witnessed a sharp increase in the number of pupils entering grade 1. This is due to two factors, —the increased birth rate and considerable building of new homes in town. We have alrady experienced overcrowding in the primary rooms at the South Easton, Eastondale and Furnace Village Schools. At the latter school it was necessary to transfer sixth grade pupils to the North Easton Grammar School last September, to keep enrollments within reason.

It is very difficult to forecast population trends, and especially school enrollment trends, with assurance. Several factors may change with time, thus making estimates go awry. It is difficult to judge the effect, and especially the extent, of new construction. A sharp business recession might result in some empty houses in this area, although this is unlikely. Even our method of admitting under-age children to grade 1 on the basis of mental age adds a complicating factor.

To give estimates of elementary school enrollments during the next five or six years a factual basis, a census of pre-school children of all ages was taken early in December. The census was taken by pupils in grade five and six, assisted in some instances by seventh grade children, under the direction of their teachers. I believe that we secured a very accurate census in this way, without expense to the town. Every home in town was visited, sometimes several times before the occupants were found. The state school census forms were used, one copy for each child listed. These forms were then checked and sorted into age groups.

The figures thus secured indicate that the peak in our elementary school enrollment will be reached in the school year 1952-53. After that year, indicated enrollments level off for several years without any marked change in numbers. Continued building of new homes could cause the upward trend to continue beyond 1953, however. Our census data gave us no positive clues on which to estimate entering class sizes after 1954, but we can be reasonably sure that total enrollments in the grades will be large for several years after 1954, as these large groups move along through the schools.

In the South Easton-Eastondale section an enrollment of nearly 200 pupils in grades 1 to 6 is indicated for the next several years. We should have at least seven classrooms for these pupils instead of six as at present. By transporting the sixth grade pupils to the North Easton Grammar School, and by making boundary lines between territories served by the two schools in the southeastern part of the town flexible, the pressure here would be relieved at least temporarily.

At the Furnace Village School we have had to transport sixth grade pupils to North Easton during the present school year. Indications now are that fifth grade pupils also will have to go to North Easton during the school year beginning next September.

There is evidence that the increased enrollment in the South Easton-Eastondale section will be more or less permanent because of the many new homes being built in that area. The evidence for continued high enrollments at the Furnace Village School is not quite so strong, as there is much less new construction in the territory served by that school.

At the North Easton Grammar School there are now two classrooms not used for class purposes. A third classroom could be made available by removing the Kindergarten to the assembly room where it was housed for several years, beginning in 1930. This change would be undesirable, however. There is also an empty classroom in the Unionville School. If the sixth grades at the South Easton and Eastondale Schools and the fifth and sixth grades from the Furnace Village School are sent to the North Easton Grammar School next fall, as now seems likely if we are to avoid unreasonable overcrowding in the lower grades of these schools, the two available classrooms at North Easton will be filled.

The preceding paragraphs make no reference to enrollment increases at the North Easton Grammar School. The enrollment at that school on October 1, 1948, was 50 greater than on the same date a year earlier. However, it does not seem likely that overcrowding at that building will be serious for several years at least, provided all pupils through grade 6 from the South Easton-Eastondale section and the Furnace Village section can be kept in their own schools. In the school year 1952-53 an enrollment in the North Easton Grammar School of about 420 is indicated, which is about the capacity of the building. This figure is exclusive of any pupils from the South Easton, Eastondale and Furnace Village sections.

We do not anticipate serious school housing problems at the Junior-Senior High School until these large lower elementary grades move along to junior high school. We will begin to feel some crowding, according to the evidence in our census figures, about 1955, and from that time on for a number of years it will become more serious. If a problem of overcrowding at the high school develops, it is some years away, and it could be easily relieved, to the extent of increasing present capacity by 120 pupils, by providing new quarters for shop and home economics classes outside the present building.

The foregoing paragraphs outline the general problem which must be faced by the town during the next decade. It takes about two years as a minimum to study a school housing problem, secure an appropriation and complete construction. We cannot afford not to plan some distance into the future. Consequently, I respectfully suggest that steps be taken to request the voters to authorize the appointment of a committee to make a comprehensive survey and study of school enrollment trends and possible expanded school building needs, this committee to report to a special or regular town meeting not later than March, 1950. If such a committee should conclude that increased enrollments are likely to be permanent, the addition of one classroom at the Furnace Village School, the eventual abandonment of the South Easton School, and the building of five or six new classrooms, including a Kindergarten room, at the Eastondale School, should be given consideration. It would be very simple to build a one-room addition to the Furnace Village School, as the building was planned for such an addition and all auxiliary rooms, heating plant and two thirds of the walls for it are already there. Utilization of the present Eastondale School as part of an eight or nine room structure would present more serious problems, but no doubt it could be done.

Teachers' Salaries

Last year's Report of the School Committee of Easton showed salary maximums in the schedules of school departments in the towns around Easton. Among them were the figures for Foxboro, showing maximum salaries for teachers, whether men or women, grade or high school teachers, of $2400. I have before me a copy of the official salary schedule for the Foxboro schools as at present in effect. This maximum is now $3200, an increase of $800 over the figures of last year. The figure for Mansfield has advanced from $2570 to $3200, for Stoughton from $2240 for elementary teachers and $2570 for high school teachers to $3000, in Norton from $2400 to $2800, in Sharon from $2950 to $3150, and in Bridgewater from $2600 to $3000. In Stoughton and Mansfield teachers will work up to the new maximums through increments. The maximum in Foxboro is actually being paid at present. In the other towns the new maximums are expected to be in effect following the town meetings.

In all of the examples quoted above, the principle of equal pay for men and women teachers of equal training and experience and doing comparable work has been adopted. Further, all have done away with any salary differences between elementary and high school teachers. The trend toward eliminating any discrimination because of grade taught or of sex is strong throughout the country. I have never been enthusiastic about equal pay for men and women teachers, because of my opinion that it is contrary to the law of supply and demand and will eventually discourage the entrance of men into teaching. However, if most school systems adopt the principle of equal pay the stragglers must of necessity fall in line. This being the case, the next step will, it seems to me, be the general use of dependency allowances in salary schedules. Some of the larger school systems already use this variation from uniformity in the schedule. It is from many points of view undesirable, for it pays, for example, the man with a large family more salary than it does the man without a family for doing the same kind and amount of work. It seems to be about the only way, under conditions as they are developing today, to give the male teacher who is supporting a growing family some relief from the financial worries which otherwise are likely to reduce his efficiency as a teacher. Certainly the man who is forced to take another job on the side cannot give to his teaching the best that is in him. Dependency allowances should of course apply equally to men and women teachers.

It is not uncommon to hear skepticism expressed regarding the reality of the reported teacher shortage. This shortage is primarily in the elementary school field, and is caused not so much because there are fewer teachers as because there are so many more elementary school children to be taught. The greatly increased birth rate since 1941 is the cause, and it promises to make the demand for grade teachers exceed the supply for several more years. Many of this year's seniors at the State Teachers Colleges are reported to have already been employed for the next school year at salaries ranging from $2200 to $2500. An instance is related where school officials of a nearby town offered three Teachers College seniors positions for next September at $2400 salaries. The students declined the offer, hoping for better offers later in the year. In Easton the maximum salary for experienced elementary teachers actually being paid at this writing is $2400, except in three cases where summer school attendance or a Master's Degree have made them eligible to receive the professional improvement increment. Obviously the situation where Teachers College seniors decline offers of employment for next September at salaries the same as our experienced elementary teachers are receiving shows the real need of a salary schedule revision.

If Easton is to prevent the loss of many of its best teachers to other communities with higher salary schedules, if the town is going to put itself in a position to get capable replacements when teachers do go elsewhere, and if the morale of those teachers who do remain is to be kept at a productive level, this town will have to make an upward revision of its salary schedule comparable to that in effect in other towns. We should work as rapidly as possible toward making fully operative a schedule containing the following provisions:

(1) Removal of any salary differentiation because of grade or sex.

(2) Establishing a maximum salary figure of $3000 for a teacher with a bachelor's degree or equivalent.

(3) Providing some degree of relief for those with family responsibilities through dependency allowances.

(4) Continuation of other features of our salary schedule as now in effect.

According to the Division on the Necessaries of Life of the Massachusetts Department of Labor and Industries, we now have a sixty-two cent dollar in terms of 1941 buying power. If this is true, a salary of $3000 now is equal in purchasing power to a salary of $1860 in 1941.

State Aid for Schools

In Chapter 645, Acts of 1948, the General Court made provision for state assistance to towns, in the form of grants of money, for new school building construction. The law is a temporary one, expiring on June 30, 1951, and provides for grants of from 20 to 50 percent of the cost of approved construction, depending on resources of the town. Easton appears to be eligible to receive the maximum percentage figure.

If new school housing is to be necessary within the next few years, it should be very much to Easton's benefit to explore the possibilities of aid under this law. This would be one of the functions of a school housing survey committee, the appointment of which is urged in a preceding section of this report. Because the work of such a committee requires a span of considerable time, action is urgent now, as application for construction grants after June 30, 1951, cannot be considered under the present law.

It has been becoming obvious, over the last few years, that the costs of public education are going to be much greater than in the past. This is chiefly due to the inflated prices of everything the schools use, but growing school enrollments are another factor. The shortage of teachers, particularly of elementary teachers, has placed them in a favorable bargaining position regarding salaries. However, when it is realized that the present dollar is worth only about 62 cents of the 1941 dollar, it is doubtful if the teacher's position in regard to purchasing power has greatly improved, and in some instances locally it has decreased.

Chapter 643, Acts of 1948, provides a new basis for distributing state funds for school aid. Under this new law Easton will receive in 1949 $33,261 in aid to schools, compared to $10,325 in 1948. On the other hand the town will receive an estimated $8600 less on the valuation basis. Thus the net gain to the town under the new law amounts to about $14,000 to $15,000. More state aid to education is needed to relieve real estate of some of the tax burden.

Guidance

The present school year is the second in which our homeroom guidance program, under the direction of the Coordinator of Guidance, has been in operation. In the 1946 and 1947 reports, considerable space was devoted to an outline of the basic principles and to the starting of the program in Easton. Pupils definitely included in the program this year are all members of grades 7, 8, 9 and 10, and eleventh grade girls. Next school year will see the program advanced one year higher, and beginning with the school year 1950-51, we expect to have it fully operative throughout the Junior-Senior High School.

As has been pointed out previously, the guidance work embraces three phases: (1) vocational, (2) educational and (3) the more personal aspects, as social and ethical guidance. The contributions of all three phases can be very great in the development of the individual pupil. The success of the work depends to a great degree on the enthusiasm and willingness of the homeroom teacher. This school year there are twelve homeroom teachers who are participating. Six of these are taking part for the first time. Obviously their contributions to the work will be more valuable as they gain experience in it. As time goes on the proportion of our homeroom guidance teachers who are inexperienced in this phase of school work will become much smaller. We can then expect even more valuable results from the guidance work.

Health Work in the Schools

The expansion of the work of the school dental clinic, to include the services of a dental hygienist, was outlined in my report of a year ago. During 1948, 703 dental cleanings were made by the dental hygienist and 339 dental certificates were issued by her. This number of dental certificates was an addition to any issued by the school dentist or by family dentists. Since the dental hygienist is paid by the Board of Health, no charge is made to pupils for her services. Besides the actual cleanings, she gets in a great deal of educational work on dental care as she works with individual pupils.

The diphtheria prevention clinic, conducted under the joint auspices of the Board of Health and the School Committee, was larger than ever this past year. The report of the school nurse shows that 77 pupils had a negative Shick test, while 28 had positive tests. One hundred forty-eight children received diphtheria toxoid treatments. Four hundred sixty-five had "boster" doses to strengthen immunity acquired by earlier treatments.

We have made some effort this fall to put the idea across to pupils and parents that the school nurse is not a taxi driver. Far too often a pupil will come to school in the morning on one of the busses and upon arrival go to the school nurse with a cold or other ailment and ask to be taken home. The school nurse is always ready to take a child home in any emergency, but she rightly feels that children too ill on arrival to remain in school should have had the judgment to remain at home in the first place.

Other phases of our health program have followed the general pattern of previous years.

Preparation for College

Our high school is sending on to college in these post-war days more of its graduates than was formerly the case. We rarely hear of one of our graduates who leaves college for scholastic reasons. This happens far more often for financial reasons. The pupil who wishes to prepare for college entrance can do so in our high school if he is willing to work. A college preparatory course is a strenuous course and requires honest application on the part of the pupil.

Pupils frequently do not decide to go on to college until they reach the junior or senior year in high school. It is then too late to take the proper college preparatory courses. Too frequently during these years of indecision the pupil has not worked conscientiously enough to earn marks of college preparatory grade. Then, after tardily deciding that he wants to go to college he begins to work for higher marks, hoping that by some magic the college admissions office will overlook his earlier poor record. The following quotation from the annual report of the Principal of the High School calls attention to this situation from the principal's viewpoint.

"In these days, when so much has been broadcast as regards the advantages of further formal education beyond the secondary school, and especially when the G. I. Bill of Rights has made it financially possible for many a veteran to go on to college, every high school principal is called on to recommend for college admission many a boy whose high school record shows no indication of any ability to do work on a college level. It is an easy matter to pass the boy on with a statement advising the boy's admission in the hope that his greater maturity will bring out an interest in his work that he has never shown in his secondary school. On the other hand ,just as soon as a principal certifies a pupil to college, the high school assumes responsibility for that pupil's success, and thus stakes its entire reputation for reliability in pupil rating. Hence it is entirely possible for the school to give one boy a key to college that perhaps he doesn't deserve and risk having several others denied admission because a college will no longer accept a report that has proved erroneous in a previous case.

This school has maintained a high standard of college preparation for many years and it intends to keep that reputation in the future by making absolutely truthful statements as to the pupils it sends on to higher institutions."

Athletics

The year 1948 was an active and successful one in the field of athletics, so far as our high school was concerned. Several factors helped to make it so. It was the first full year that our athletic program, both interscholastic and intramural, has had the help of a director of athletics. It was the first year that financial help by direct appropriation of funds has been available. The result has been a broadening of the program and a smoother, more efficient operation of it.

Football, baseball, basketball and track are now recognized "major" sports for boys in interscholastic competition. For girls, schedules with other high schools are provided in field hockey, basketball and softball. In all of these fields of competition our teams were successful. The boys' basketball team won fifteen of twenty games played, losing three in the regular season and two in tournament play. They reached the semifinals in Class A of the Brockton District Tournament and the finals of Class C in the Eastern Massachusetts tournament, losing to Middleboro High in the former and to Somerset High in the latter. The baseball team won the Hockamock League championship and the championship of the twenty-six high school South Shore Conference. The football team had a record of five wins, a tie and two losses. The girls' basketball team won four and lost six interscholastic games. The girls enjoyed an undefeated season in field hockey. A good start was made in two new sports ,track for boys and softball for girls.

While interscholastic athletic competition has greater appeal for spectators and probably for participants, intramural athletic programs reach a far greater number of pupil and should receive more emphasis in our junior-senior high school. The ideal would be to plan to give every youngster an opportunity to take part in some after-school recreational program. Too much dependence is now placed on voluntary leadership in our intramural athletics. Our Director of Athletics is doing what he can to work out an intramural program under present conditions but he needs the help of men and women teachers who have definite assignments, as a part of their jobs, in an after-school program.

The facts that Easton is a rather large town in area, and that our High School is located near the northeast corner of the town, provide an obstacle to participation in an after-school program by many pupils. A late bus, to run at the close of practice for althetic squads, which would run through the Unionville, Eastondale, Furnace Village and Poquanticut sections of the town would largely overcome this obstacle.

School Lunches

Last year's report called attention to the tendency for both of our school lunch projects to lose money. The sum of $403.00 was included in the 1948 budget to help out on the finances of these two projects. However, only $90.00 was expended to help overcome deficits. Both projects are now making income equal outgo or a little better. The South Easton-Eastondale project is in especially healthy condition financially at the present writing.

The purchase of the subsidized "hot plate" at the High School continues to be disappointingly small. This is in large part due to the availability of a la carte items. For twenty cents a pupil can purchase complete lunch except dessert. This lunch includes bread and butter or equivalent, meat or other protein, two vegetables including potato, and a half pint of milk. Its wider use should be encouraged by parents, both because of its nutritional value and because it is a good buy at the price.

At the Eastondale and South Easton Schools, on the other hand, purchases of the hot plate have increased. About three children out of every five buy it daily. This project now has a comfortable working balance of several hundred dollars. Mrs. Hayward, who does the purchasing, prepares menus and serves as cook for the project, deserves much credit for the efficient manner in which she has handled it.

During the year, improvements in the kitchen arrangements were made at both buildings. At Eastondale a new sink was provided by the office of the National School Lunch Program. This was installed by the School Department. A new sink for the High School cafeteria was purchased and installed. The cafeteria including kitchen at the High School was painted.

The facilities of the High School cafeteria should be extended to include pupils at the North Easton Grammar School who remain for lunch during the noon hour. It is possible that arrangements could be made for them to come to the High School cafeteria. If this proved impractical, plans should be made to transport the complete type A lunch from the High School to the elementary building. If sixth grade pupils from the other schools in town are brought to the North Easton Grammar School beginning next fall, the need for providing hot lunch facilities will be considerably greater.

Staff Changes

During 1948 the following staff members severed their connections with the Easton schools:

Warren F. Goodie, teacher of physical education and biology and basketball coach at the Junior-Senior High School, completed his work in June and accepted a position as physical education teacher in the Dedham schools and coach of basketball in Dedham High School.

Viola D. Harris, art supervisor, left at the close of the school year to continue her studies in the field of art.

Edward S. Swenson, teacher of general science and football coach at the Junior-Senior High School resigned in August to accept a teaching fellowship at Boston University, where he is studying for the Doctor of Education degree. Mr. Swenson serves as an assistant football coach at Boston University.

June N. Harvey resigned at the end of the school years as a teacher at the North Easton Grammar School after three years of very successful work in that position, to be at home.

Louise E. Canegaly resigned as of June 30, 1948, to accept retirement under the state contributory retirement system. Miss Canegaly had taught continuously in Easton since 1904, and had won an enviable reputation as a primary teacher.

Anna G. Sullivan, principal and teacher of grades one and two at the South Easton School resigned, effective November 1, to accept a teaching position in the Boston public schools.

Francis L. Thompson, fifth and sixth grade teacher at the South Easton School, resigned in April and attended the intersession and summer session terms at Boston Unniversity. In September he began work in his new position at Hopedale.

Dr. Robert B. Porter, school physician in Easton for over forty years, resigned his position in the spring, effective September first. Dr. Porter had spent many hours each school year in work with pupils of the public schools, and contributed in many ways to the health and health education of the pupils in the schools.

New staff members were employed as follows:

John F. Aldrich, a graduate of Rhode Island State College, with a Master's degree from Boston University, was engaged as football and track coach and teacher of physical education and general science. Mr. Aldrich had taught four years before coming to Easton, the last year being at Bemidji State Teachers College in Minnesota.

Herbert J. Rollins, a graduate of the Scott Carbee School of Art, was employed as art teacher in the Junior-Senior High School and supervisor of art in the elementary schools. The position is Mr. Rollins' first public school employment, although he has had several years' experience as a teacher of art under other auspices.

James C. Galt, a graduate of Springfield College, with three years' teaching experience in New York state and New Jersey, accepted appointment as biology and general science teacher and coach of basketball at the Junior-Senior High School.

Catherine Dineen, formerly a teacher in Easton and later a teacher in Danvers and Stoughton, was engaged to teach at the North Easton Grammar School, filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of June N. Harvey. Miss Dineen is a graduate of Bridgewater State Teachers College.

Gertrude B. Hawkes, a graduate of Gorham (Maine) State Teachers College, with about three years of teaching experience in Maine, was engaged as a first grade teacher at North Easton Grammar School, beginning in September. Mrs. Hawkes replaces Miss Louise Canegaly.

Margaret Walsh, a graduate of the College of New Rochelle last spring, and a local resident, was elected as teacher of grades five and six at the South Easton School. Miss Walsh furthered her preparation for teaching at the 1948 summer session at Boston University.

Lenore Rohdin, a Bridgewater graduate and a teacher of several years' experience, began work as teacher of grades one and two at the South Easton School on November 1, filling the vacancy caused by Mrs. Sullivan's resignation. Mrs. Rohdin gained her first year's experience in teaching in Easton years ago, and then taught in the elementary schools of Brockton.

All of these new teachers have made favorable starts in their new positions.

Dr. Jacob Brenner was elected by the School Committee as school physician to succeed Dr. Porter. Dr. Brenner began his work on September 1.

Some Needs of the Schools

Several previous annual reports have listed some of the things which the schools need, but which are not provided for in the budget. Many of them will not be accomplished in the near future. However, it is good to hold these things in public view, with the hope that most of them will eventually be realized. A look back over lists of needs included in previous reports shows that they generally are met, even though it may take several years to get them. Most of the needs in the following list were reported last year.

Replacement of Fixed Furniture. All but four of our elementary rooms have desks and seats which are screwed to the floor. The small desk tops in many rooms are a definite handicap to the type of work which we try to do. We should plan to replace this furniture a room or two at a time each year.

Sound-Proofing at the High School. A sound-absorbing ceiling over the woodworking shop is needed to prevent transmission of disturbing shop noises to classrooms above. Sound-absorbing ceilings and upper walls are needed in the long corridors of the newer part of the High School.

Surfacing of Play Areas. Our 1949 budget provides for surfacing about 1100 square yards of the area just east and south of the North Easton Grammar School. In 1950 and in the following years we should plan on surfacing similar areas at the other elementary schools. At all of these schools except the two smallest ones a great deal of mud is tracked into the buildings during rainy weather or when frozen ground thaws. This results not only in dirty floors but in dusty, unhealthful conditions as the mud dries.

Assembly Hall Chairs. This need at the North Easton Grammar School has been frequently reported. Assembly chairs for use at this building must now be trucked back and forth between this elementary school and the High School, resulting in much inconvenience as well as hard wear on the chairs.

Commercial Department Equipment. Our 1949 budget, if approved in full, provides for an automatic calculating machine and a new mimeograph. The head of the Commercial Department is pleading for additional machine equipment, which should be provided as rapidly as possible.

Lighting of Classrooms. I hope that we will be in a position in 1949 to change the electric lighting in Room 201 of the High School from the present incandescent bulbs enclosed in glass globes to fluorescent lighting. This room is our poorest classroom from the standpoint of natural lighting. It would be considered something of an experimental room, from which to draw conclusions as to further lighting improvement. Present day ideas on schoolroom lighting call for much more light at working surfaces than was formerly considered necessary.

Better Audio-Visual Education Facilities. We have made some improvements in our visual aids equipment during 1948, but we have a long way to go in this field before we can be satisfied. One needed item is equipment for motion picture projection with sound, which can be made available for use by all elementary schools. Light, compact projection equipment is now available which would be practical for use in our elementary schools. The projector at the High School is too heavy and too complicated for general use outside the High School building. A good film strip projector, to replace the present very old one, is needed at the High School. Four of our elementary schools are equipped with excellent film-strip projectors. I can see considerable value in a wire recorder for use in speech work, for permanent recordings, etc. Many schools are using them.

In Conclusion

In bringing this report to a close I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the efforts of my fellow workers and of all who have contributed to the welfare of the schools. The year has been an extremely busy one and I feel that it has been a successful one along educational lines. We have encountered problems, to be sure, and we recognize that there are some phases of our school organization where improvement is desirable. This is true of any school system. We believe that our school system in Easton compares very favorably, on the whole, with systems in other towns of comparable size and resources.

I especially wish to express appreciation to the members of the School Committee for their efforts in behalf of the schools. They have been patient in listening to discussions of school problems and have given freely of their time for School Committee duties.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT C. MANN

January 12, 1949

SCHEDULE OF "NO SCHOOL" SIGNALS

The sirens of both the North Easton and the South Easton fire stations will be used to sound the signal. The "no school" signal on the North Easton station will be two blasts sounded three times in succession (2-2-2). The "no school" signal on the South Easton station will be one long blast sounded either at 7:15 or 7:30 A. M. Signals will have the following meanings:

7:15 A. M.—No school all day at the Junior-Senior High School.

7:30 A. M.—No school all day in the elementary schools.

12:25 P. M.—No school for the afternoon session at the North Easton Grammar School and Unionville School.

"No school" signals will be used only when weather conditions are unusually severe. The scattered population of ths town and the extensive pupil transportation system make it necessary to sound the signal, if at all, a considerable time in advance of the opening hour of school session. It occasionally happens that weather conditions which appear promising at the hour the signals should be sounded become severe by the time many pupils start for school. Parents are requested to use their own judgment in such cases as to whether or not a child should attend a school session. Absences from school under these circumstances will be marked in the school registers with a distinctive mark and will not be counted against the child's perfect attendance record on the report cards.

When school sessions are to be called off because of weather conditions, announcement will be made over radio stations WBET, and WBKA, Brockton. Parents should tune their radios to these stations between 7:15 and 8:00 A. M. if in doubt as to whether or not schools are to be in session.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF OAKES AMES BEQUEST

For the year ending December 31, 1948

		Less Fed. Tax Withheld		
Balance on hand, January 1, 1948			$3,258.06	
Received from Trustees in 1948			4,345.47	
Total Income				$7,603.53
Expenditures:				
Gilbert C. Mann	$200.00	$39.60	$160.40	
Pauline E. Buck	250.00	39.60	210.40	
Doris W. Leach	1,338.02	93.62	1,244.40	
Charles E. MacLeod	1,144.80	168.72	976.08	
	$2,932.82	$341.54		
Collector of Internal Revenue—				
Federal taxes withheld from salaries			341.54	
Supplies Purchased	$580.06			
Less Supplies Sold	62.88		517.18	
Total Expenditures				3,450.00
Balance on hand, December 31, 1948				$4,153.53

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
# of the
OLIVER AMES HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENT ACTIVITIES FUND

The funds of the various organizations, except the High School Cafeteria, of the Junior-Senior High School are kept in a single activities fund. Receipts and payments pass through the hands of the teacher designated to handle the fund, and all disbursements must be approved by the high school principal and the superintendent of schools.

Below is a statement showing the receipts and payments for the year ending December 31, 1948.

Funds	Balances Dec. 31, 1947	1948 Receipts	1948 Payments	Balances Dec. 31, 1948
Class of 1947	$135.83	$.......	$135.83	$.......
Class of 1948	498.86	260.40	759.26	....
Class of 1949	134.03	808.77	428.27	514.53
Class of 1950	57.93	172.88	141.68	89.13
Class of 1951	....	113.95	47.75	66.20
Class of 1952	....	17.25	....	17.25
Athletic Association	297.76	2,161.48	2,193.70	265.54
Eastoner	9.65	631.19	820.11	179.27d
Easton Teachers' Club	139.32	287.35	412.88	13.79
General Fund	90.03	79.56	62.25	107.34
Student Council	483.41	262.76	551.85	194.32
Junior High	277.49	226.73	264.81	239.41
School Music	61.73	533.49	511.15	84.07
Accommodations	29.13	2,157.43	2,153.88	32.68*
Assembly	11.10	13.99	16.00	9.09
H. S. Cafeteria Loan	737.04d	500.00	....	237.04d
Honor Society	....	178.26	61.55	116.71
	$1,489.23	$8,405.49	$8,560.97	$1,333.75

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Flower Fund	$7.68
Class of 1948 gift	25.00
	$32.68

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Check Book Balance	$934.33
Savings Account	239.79
Junior High Savings Account	11.63
Junior High Bonds	148.00
	$1,333.75

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
of the
OLIVER AMES HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA
For the year ending December 31, 1948

Liabilities, January 1, 1948:			
Loan from Student Activities Fund	$737.04		
Unpaid bills for supplies	407.25		
Total Liabilities		$1,144.29	
Assets, January 1, 1948:			
Cash on hand and in banks	$364.31		
Reimbursement checks due	151.86		
Other bills receivable	17.07		
Inventory	296.29		
Total Assets		829.53	
Net indetedness, January 1, 1948			$314.76
Assets, December 31, 1948:			
Cash on hand and in banks	$471.61		
Reimbursement checks due	224.63		
Other accounts receivable	23.78		
Inventory	404.19		
Total Assets		$1,124.21	
Liabilities, December 31, 1948:			
Loan from Student Activities Fund	$237.04		
Unpaid bills for cafeteria supplies	699.92		
Withholding tax payable	65.10		
Total Liabilities		1,002.06	
Net Worth, December 31, 1948			122.15
Gain for the year			$436.91

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
of the
SOUTH EASTON-EASTONDALE SCHOOL LUNCHES
For the year ending December 31, 1948

Liabilities, January 1, 1948:			
Unpaid bills for supplies	$320.87		
Federal reimbursement to be refunded	88.70		
Total Liabilities		$409.57	
Assets, January 1, 1948:			
Cash on hand and in bank	93.88		
Reimbursement checks due	199.35		
Other bills receivable	12.20		
Inventory	71.40		
Total Assets		376.83	
Net Indebtedness, January 1, 1948			$32.74
Assets, December 31, 1948:			
Cash in checking account	$128.92		
Reimbursement due from State	450.72		
Due for free lunches	61.80		
Inventory	129.43		
Total Assets		$770.87	
Liabilities, December 31, 1948:			
Unpaid bills for supplies	$101.27		
Withholding tax payable	67.60		
Total Liabilities		168.87	
Net Worth, December 31, 1948			602.00
Gain for the year			$634.74

EXPENDITURES BY DIVISIONS

January 1, 1948 — December 31, 1948

Including Amounts Paid from Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds

	General	Senior High	Junior High	Elementary	Total
School Committee, Office, etc.	$419.07	....	....	....	$419.07
Superintendent's Travelling Expense	275.00	....	....	....	275.00
Supervisor of Attendance	110.00	....	....	....	110.00
Clerk	2,042.83	....	....	....	2,042.83
Salaries	4,733.33	$26,921.72	$29,454.58	$53,131.09	114,240.72
Textbooks	....	397.84	832.32	556.55	1,786.71
Supplies	....	2,765.80	1,553.05	1,451.95	5,770.80
Janitors' Wages	....	2,492.89	2,296.59	8,163.37	12,952.85
Fuel	....	1,553.40	1,551.30	3,760.26	6,864.96
Janitors' Supplies	....	481.30	480.63	894.67	1,856.60
Water	....	71.09	71.08	95.25	237.42
Electricity	....	457.17	457.17	685.23	1,599.57
Miscellaneous School Plant	....	43.81	44.32	205.54	293.67
Repairs and Furnishings	....	2,027.13	1,686.98	3,681.14	7,395.25
Outlay	....	273.81	339.30	16.95	630.06
Library	....	72.66	56.25	....	128.91
Health	....	824.83	821.83	2,463.80	4,110.46
Transportation	....	4,119.74	4,481.83	4,177.49	12,779.06
Tuition	....	719.50	....	....	719.50
Sundries	....	128.79	58.86	128.81	316.46
Graduation	....	157.11	....	....	157.11
Insurance	....	952.88	952.87	985.69	2,891.44
Total	$7,580.23	$44,461.47	$45,138.96	$80,397.79	$177.578.45
Average Membership	1,031.00	203.00	264.00	564.00	1,031.00
Cost per pupil in average membership not including capital outlay and tuition, year ending December 31, 1948	$7.35	$214.13	$169.70	$142.52	$170.93
Average in State, year ending June 30, 1948	7.01	222.32	200.48	150.12	182.79

EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS—SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES X TO XII

January 1, 1948 — December 31, 1948

Including Amounts Paid from Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds

	General	Commercial	English	Social Studies	Household Arts	Latin	Mathematics	Modern Language	Practical Art	Science	Physical Education	Art	Music	Total
Salaries	$2,312.09	$5,799.59	$4,215.64	$2,713.93	$627.37	$449.09	$2,580.13	$1,348.57	$1,013.15	$3,876.64	$1,448.63	$245.65	$291.24	$26,921.72
Textbooks	52.30	87.84	34.64	45.92		49.73	17.43	28.81	6.98	45.08	5.73		23.38	397.84
Supplies	708.14	550.32	5.06	35.26	1.44			8.29	238.44	73.60	1,124.03	21.22		2,765.80
Janitors' Wages	2,492.89													2,492.89
Fuel	1,553.40													1,553.40
Janitors' Supplies	481.30													481.30
Water	71.09													71.09
Electricity	457.17													457.17
Mis. School Plant	43.81													43.81
Repairs and Furn.	1,564.91	400.92	7.74						20.65		26.79		6.12	2,027.13
Outlay	265.47		5.59								2.75			273.81
Library	72.66													72.66
Health	824.83													824.83
Transportation	4,119.74													4,119.74
Tuition	719.50													719.50
Sundires	128.79													128.79
Graduation	157.11													157.11
Insurance	952.88													952.88
Total	$16,978.08	$6,838.67	$4,268.67	$2,795.11	$628.81	$498.82	$2,597.56	$1,385.67	$1,279.22	$3,995.32	$2,607.93	$266.87	$320.74	$44,461.47
Average Membership														203.00
Cost per pupil in average membership, not including outlay and tuition, year ending December 31, 1948														$214.13
Average in State, not including outlay and trade school tuition, year ending June 30, 1948														222.32

EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS—JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES VII TO IX

January 1, 1948 — December 31, 1948

Including Amounts Paid from Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds

	General	English	Latin	Social Studies	Mathematics	Household Arts	Science	Art	Music	Physical Education	Practical Arts	Guidance	Total
Salaries	$2,383.32	$5,865.44	$449.16	$3,838.36	$4,408.17	$1,717.51	$2,749.89	$1,137.57	$1,151.73	$1,372.31	$2,658.86	$1,722.26	$29,454.58
Textbooks	62.02	350.05	10.14	174.75	66.66		54.21		38.53	2.50	59.59	13.87	832.32
Supplies	707.70	24.46	2.71	5.06	2.07	4.32	13.52	10.87		308.85	76.97	396.52	1,553.05
Janitors' Wages	2,296.59												2,296.59
Fuel	1,551.30												1,551.30
Janitors' Supplies	480.63												480.63
Water	71.08												71.08
Electricity	457.17												457.17
Misc. School Plant	44.32												44.32
Repairs & Furnishing	1,607.24	2.55							15.11	26.84	1.50	33.74	1,686.98
Outlay	336.55									2.75			339.30
Library	56.25												56.25
Health	821.83												821.83
Transportation	4,481.83												4,481.83
Sundries	58.86												58.86
Insurance	952.87												952.87
Total	$16,369.56	$6,242.50	$462.01	$4,018.17	$4,476.90	$1,721.83	$2,817.62	$1,148.44	$1,205.37	$1,713.25	$2,796.92	$2,166.39	$45,138.96
Average Membership													264.00
Cost per pupil in average membership, not including outlay, year ending December 31, 1948													$169.70
Average in State, not including outlay, June 30, 1948													200.48

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES—OCTOBER 1, 1948

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	P. G.	Sp. Cl.	To-tal
Junior-Senior High School								72	93	89	81	60	78			473
North Easton Grammar School	61	60	46	39	49	48	55									358
South Easton School		19	20	11	9	16	10									85
Eastondale School		14	19	18	6	16	11									84
Furnace Village School		19	14	15	8	8										64
Unionville School		6	12		3											21
Poquanticut School		8	10	5												23
TOTAL	61	126	121	88	75	88	76	72	93	89	81	60	78			1108

CENSUS REPORT

The annual census of children in town between the ages of 5 and 16 was taken as of October 1, 1948, as required by law.

	Boys	**Girls**	**Total**
Under 5 years attending school	15	6	21
Between the ages of 5 and 7	125	107	232
Between the ages of 7 and 16	428	358	786
	568	470	1039

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

JUNE 24, 1948

1.	March—The Commander Orchestra	Brockton
2.	Invocation Reverend G. Harrold Ahlberg	
3.	Address of Welcome by Class President Ralph D. Peterson	
4.	Overture Orchestra	Batiste
5.	Moonbeams I Love Life Glee Club Accompanist—Arlene Rosen, '50	Herbert Manna-Zucca

6. Pageant—Unto Us the Living

First Chronicler—Harold Sheehan
Second Chronicler—Gloria Buckingham
Salesman—Ronald Buck
Bridge Player—Betty Harrold
Golfer—Kenneth MacAfee
Car Enthusiast—Harry Farnsworth
Voice from Nowhere—Joan Connolly

The Dispossessed

Speaker—Alice Kent

Mary Watt
John Leonard
Lorena Kidder
Alice Schofield
Mary Bailey
Theresa Coelho
John O'Connell
Bernard Brophy

The Prisoners

Speaker—Grace Kent

Barbara Brown
Nancy Birnie
Darroll Peterson
Herbert Williams
Marjorie Parrish
Margaret Pomeroy
Robert Harlow

The Wounded

Speaker—Charles McCarthy

Daniel Amorim
James Watts
Arnold Anderson
James Mullen
Roger Nelson
Ralph Peterson

The Dead

Speaker—Ann Kinsman

Dorothy Alger
Merces Alho
Ruth Chase
Isabelle Barretto
Theresa Perry
Everett Sarty
Donald Holbrook

Speaking Choir

Joanne Harvey
Claire Healey
Roger Johnson
Lucille Miller
Robert Gilmore
Kenneth Gordon
Mary Mahoney
Nancy MacAfee
Everett Ericson
Leolinda Correia
Evangeline Camara
Eleanor Corkum

7. Danza Calabrese Morelli

Orchestra

8. Award of:

Louis A. Frothingham Scholarship—Joan Terese Connolly

Young Scholarship—Phyllis Elizabeth White, Class of 1947

Clover Club Scholarship—Roger Nelson

Patrick J. O'Connor Memorial Scholarship—Robert E. Larson, Class of 1949

Easton Huskies A. A., Inc., Scholarship—Kenneth Adams MacAfee
Given in memory of Roland "Sonny"
Rohdin, an outstanding athlete in the
Class of 1935

Outlook Club Award—Robert George Harlow

Browning Club Award—Mary Louise Mahoney

Laurel Club Award—Harry Calvin Farnsworth

J. Francis O'Neil Athletic Trophy—Kenneth Adams MacAfee

Washington and Franklin History Certificate—Charles F. McCarthy, Jr.

D.A.R. Good Citizenship Certificate and Medal—Ann Elizabeth Kinsman

Diplomas

Mr. Arthur F. Anderson

9. Class Song

Words by Ruth Esther Chase, Mary Louise Mahoney and Charles F. McCarthy, Jr.

10. Benediction

Reverend George C. Kierstead

11. March of Progress Herfurth

LIST OF HONORS

GENERAL HONORS

Graduated with High Honors

Joan Terese Connolly
Ann Elizabeth Kinsman

Graduated with Honors

Gloria Jean Buckingham
Eleanor Jeanette Corkum
Leolinda S. Correia
George Frederick Eaton
Kenneth Blair Gordon
Joanne Alberta Harvey
Claire Margaret Healey
Philip Roger Johnson
Alice B. Kent
Grace Ann Kent
Mary Louise Mahoney
Nancy Ann MacAfee
Charles F. McCarthy, Jr.
Roger Nelson
Ralph D. Peterson
Harold James Sheehan, Jr.

SPECIAL HONORS

High Honors

Joan Terese Connolly	Latin, French
George Fredrick Eaton	Mathematics
Ann Elizabeth Kinsman	English, French, History

Honors

Joan Teresa Connolly	English, History
Theresa M. Coelho	Typewriting
Eleanor Jeanette Corkum	Typewriting
George Fredrick Eaton	Science
Claire Margaret Healey	Typewriting
Philip Roger Johnson	Mathematics
Grace Ann Kent	French
Charles F. McCarthy, Jr.	French, History

High honors are given pupils whose yearly marks in particular subjects are all "A's"; honors are given those who have received one "B," all other yearly marks being "A." Honors will not be given in subjects requiring less than two years in curriculum nor to any pupil pursuing a subject less than the maximum number of years.

CLASS OF 1948

Dorothy R. Alger
Merces Martha Alho
Daniel Basil Amorim
Arnold S. Anderson
Mary Alice Bailey
Isabelle Mary Barretto
Nancy Louise Birnie
Bernard A. Brophy
Barbara Mae Brown
Ronald Buck
Gloria Jean Buckingham
Evangeline Louise Camara
Ruth Esther Chase
Theresa M. Coelho
Oscar V. Conceison
Joan Terese Connolly
Eleanor Jeanette Corkum
Leolinda S. Correia
Violet Winifred Delano
George Fredrick Eaton
Everett W. Ericson, Jr.
Harry Calvin Farnsworth
Harry A. Francis
August Thomas Freitas
Robert Ames Gilmore
Kenneth Blair Gordon
Edward Paul Gouveia
Robert George Harlow
Betty Jean Harrold
Joanne Alberta Harvey
Claire Margaret Healey
Thomas Robert Hegg
Donald R. Holbrook
Philip Roger Johnson
Alice B. Kent
Grace Ann Kent
Lorena Charlotte Kidder
Ann Elizabeth Kinsman
Robert Wayne Legge
John Albert Leonard
Nancy Ann MacAfee
Kenneth Adams MacAfee
Mary Louise Mahoney
Charles F. McCarthy, Jr.
Lucille Miller
James Douglas Mullen, Jr.
Roger Nelson
John E. O'Connell
Marjorie Lillian Parrish
Mary Theresa Perry
Darroll M. Peterson
Ralph D. Peterson
Margaret Ann Pomeroy
Everett Kenneth Sarty
Alice Louise Schofield
Harold James Sheehan, Jr.
Mary Elizabeth Watt
James Herbert Watts
C. Herbert Williams, Jr.

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arthur F. Anderson, Chairman Telephone 454	15A Mechanic Street, North Easton Term expires, March, 1949
David Ames Telephone 587	25 Main Street, North Easton Term expires, March, 1951
Donald W. Bellows Telephone 308	7 Spooner Street, North Easton Term expires, March, 1951
Mrs. Alice K. Briggs Telephone 318	Center Street, North Easton Term expires, March, 1950
Clyde A. Craig, Jr. Telephone 282	118 Lincoln Street, North Easton Term expires, March, 1950

Superintendent of Schools

Gilbert C. Mann, B.S., M.Ed.

Residence, 7 Howland Court, North Easton Telephone 537

Office, Oliver Ames High School Building Telephone 17

Clerk

Elizabeth M. Slavin

Residence, 31 Barrows Street, North Easton Telephone 419

Office Hours: 8:00 A. M. to 12:00 M.; 1:00 to 5:00 P. M. Mondays to Fridays inclusive. Monday evenings, 7:00 to 8:00. Hours during the summer vacation: 9:00 A. M. to 12:00 M.; 1:00 to 4:00 P. M. Mondays to Fridays inclusive. Monday evenings, 7:00 to 8:00. Educational and employment certificates written at the office only.

School Physician

Dr. Jacob Brenner, 8 Oliver St., North Easton. Telephone 377

School Nurse

Grace M. Murch, B.S., R.N.

Office, Oliver Ames High School Building. Telephone 17

Office Hours: 8:15 to 8:35 A. M. and 1:00 to 1:15 P. M.

Supervisor of Attendance

Alfred H. Dahlborg 209 Main Street, North Easton
Telephone 346

School Calendar

Winter Term	January 3, 1949, to February 18, 1949, inclusive
Spring Term	February 28, 1949, to April 14, 1949, inclusive
Summer Term	April 25, 1949, to June 23, 1949, inclusive
Fall Term	Opens September 7, 1949

School Committee Meetings

High School Building, first Monday evening of each month at 7:30 o'clock, or the following Monday if the first Monday is a holiday, except in March and April. March meeting, third Monday; April meeting, second Monday.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

OLIVER AMES JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Gilman H. Campbell	Principal Algebra	Bowdoin College, A.B. Harvard University, M.Ed.	1927-9	44
Leon A. Regan	Assistant Principal Mathematics Guidance Coordinator	Mass. Agricultural College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.	1927-9	19
John F. Aldrich	Physical Education Science	Rhode Island State College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.	1948-9	4
Pauline E. Buck	Household Arts	Framingham State Teachers College, B.S.	1947-9	1
Marietta Canan	Music Music Supervisor in Grades	Boston University, Mus.B.	1937-9	11
Veronica E. Carter	Commercial	Salem Normal, B.S. *Boston University	1945-9	17
Margaret G. Connolly	Commercial Geography	Bay Path Institute Boston University (Summer)	1947-9	23
Margaret E. Dinneen	Commercial	Salem Normal School *Boston University	1943-9	22
E. Elizabeth Donohue	Mathematics Physical Education	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. Sargent College (Summer)	1947-9	3
Evelyn Foster	English	Colby College, A.B. Columbia University, A.M.	1943-4	20
James C. Galt	Science	Springfield College, B. S. Syracuse University (Summer)	1948-9	3

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Kathryn E. Healey	Mathematics	Boston University, B.S. Harvard University (Summer) Hyannis State Teachers College (Summer)	1936-9	12
Adelaide W. Johnson	English	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.	1936-9	12
Pauline R. Lyons	Latin French	New Rochelle College, A.B.	1943-3	14
Charles E. MacLeod	Practical Arts	Boston City Training Course for Teachers of Mechanic Arts *Boston University Fitchburg State Teachers College (Summer) Mass. Institute of Technology (Summer)	1931-9	17
Lucille L. Marvill	English	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. University of Vermont (Summer) Boston University (Summer)	1941-9	7
John C. Mason	Social Studies	*University of Maine Boston University, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.	1935-10	22
Barbara Nickerson	English	University of New Brunswick, A.B. *University of London (England) Columbia University, M.A.	1928-9	26
Herbert J. Rollins	Art Art Supervisor in Grades	Scott Carbee School of Art	1948-9	4
Gladys T. Thomas	Social Studies	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1939-10	10
Thomas A. White	Science Mathematics	Boston College, A.B. Boston University, A. M.	1947-9	4½

NORTH EASTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Johanna G. McFadden	Principal	Bridgewater Normal School *Boston University	1922-9	26
Mary M. Buckley	Two	Bridgewater Normal School	1945-9	19½
Raylene B. Carlson	Five	Boston University, B.S. Hyannis State Teachers College (Summer) Columbia University (Summer) University of Vermont (Summer)	1945-9	14
Catherine Q. Dineen	Three and Four	Bridgewater Normal School *Boston University	1948-9	28
Viola M. Geddes	One	Castine Normal School (Maine)	1936-9	15
Mary V. Harvey	Six	Bridgewater Normal School *Boston University	1922-9	27
Olive H. Gurney	Five and Six	Bridgewater Normal School	1946-9	18
Gertrude B. Hawkes	One	Gorham State Teachers College (Maine)	1948-9	3½
Doris W. Leach	Kindergarten	*Emerson College Perry Kindergarten Normal Boston University (Summer)	1926-9	22
Grace P. Mills	Four	Oneonta Normal (N.Y.)	1943-1	19
Jeanette P. Smith	Two and Three	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. University of Vermont (Summer)	1947-9	12

SOUTH EASTON SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Eleanor M. Biechele	Principal Three and Four	Wheelock School	1946-2	8

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Lenore A. Rohdin	One and Two	Bridgewater Normal School	1948-11	26
Margaret M. Walsh	Five and Six	College of New Rochelle, A.B.	1948-9	0
		EASTONDALE SCHOOL		
Clarence O. Richardson	Principal Five and Six	Keene Teachers College, B.Ed. Boston University, M.Ed.	1946-1	6
Priscilla Leighton	Three and Four	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1944-9	5
Esther A. De Avellar	One and Two	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S., M.Ed.	1944-9	5
		FURNACE VILLAGE SCHOOL		
Esther J. Heath	Principal Three, Four and Five	Bridgewater Normal School *Columbia University *Montclair Teachers College (N.J.)	1944-1	24½
Anna A. Gilmore	One and Two	Bridgewater Normal School	1945-9	11
		UNIONVILLE SCHOOL		
Edith V. Goff	One, Two and Four	Taunton High School Hyannis Normal (Summer)	1922-9	30

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
		POQUANTICUT SCHOOL		
Helen Koroskys	One, Two and Three	*Marywood College *Notre Dame College Boston University (Summer)	1947-9	2½

*Attended without graduating.

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

Alfred H. Dahlborg		Junior-Senior High School	1924-11	
Charles A. Malloy		Junior-Senior High School	1942-11	
Hjalmer E. Johnson		North Easton Grammar School	1933-8	
Edward M. Williams		South Easton School	1946-11	
Clifton C. Ripley		Eastondale School	1941-5	
Everett A. Dunn		Furnace Village School	1928-8	
Carrie M. Smith		Unionville School	1939-9	
Willis G. Buck		Poquanticut School	1947-8	

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